

FIRE AND LAVA

Mauna Loa, Hawaii's Volcano, Belching Flames.

Villages and Plantations Threatened With Total Destruction.

IT LIGHTS THE OCEAN FOR MANY MILES AROUND.

The Bursting Forth of the Flames Preceded by Violent Earthquakes—A Crater Nine Miles in Circumference and 800 Feet Deep Stirred to Great Activity—The Inhabitants Terror-Stricken.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 17.—Mauna Loa, the great Volcano of Hawaii, is in eruption again, after twelve years quiet, and threatens the destruction of the villages of Hilo and Waialeale at its eastern base and extensive plantations of coconuts and cane. L. H. Thurston, a member of the Hawaiian Legislature, and the Minister of the Interior, who arrived here yesterday by the steamer Australia, brings the news of the overflow. It was contained in a letter to him from Hilo, and was brought from Honolulu by steamer and handed to him just before the Australia sailed. The steamer had left Kane on Monday, Dec. 5. For five days previous the illuminations had been on a grand scale. The whole country had been shaken by earthquakes. Even in the neighboring district of Kane there were heavy earthquakes, and Mauna Loa for a distance of more than sixty miles threw a weird light over the ocean and country round about.

The earthquakes began on Friday morning, Dec. 2, and increased in force until evening, when flames burst from Mauna Loa, and grew in volume from that time on.

The rumble of the crater was terrifying. It was feared that the village of Hilo, under the mountain, and the neighboring town of Waialeale might be destroyed, and that the valuable plantations surrounding them would be covered with lava. It is not improbable that the destruction of both towns has already taken place.

The most intense action was going on within the walls of the crater. The crater is nine and one-half miles in circumference and 800 feet deep. It is a terrible volcano when in action, and has twice three times previously sent rivers of lava almost to the village of Hilo.

The last eruption was the worst, and the town at that time narrowly escaped. The earthquake in Kane, when the Hall sailed, had injured several buildings, and in and about Nide the Mauna Loa convulsions had probably done much more damage.

Mauna Loa is the most interesting mountain of the whole group of volcanic mountains of Hawaii. Its central terminal crater, 8,000 feet in diameter, is quite perfect, with nearly vertical walls from 500 to 600 feet high on the inner side, and the bottom is usually covered with solid lava, from the fissures of which issue steam and sulphurous vapors; but its record is not of any eruption from Mauna Loa before 1822, when lava flowed from the summit on several sides. In 1843 a vast flood of lava was discharged, which formed three streams five or six miles wide and twenty or thirty miles long. There were eruptions in 1851, 1852, 1853 and 1854, but in none of them did the lava reach the sea, except on the last occasion, when the eruption continued for two months and a winding current fifty miles long, from one to five miles wide, and from ten to some hundreds of feet thick, arrived at the west coast in eight days. The eruption of 1854 was now black, shining, brittle and very porous, and it occurred on another eruption attended by many earthquakes. One of these caused a huge sea wave forty feet high to break on the shore, and the loss of many lives and the destruction of much property. The wave crossed the Pacific to the California coast in the same year at a time when earthquakes were taking place on the coast of South America. The eruption of 1854 was now black, shining, brittle and very porous, and it occurred on another eruption attended by many earthquakes. One of these caused a huge sea wave forty feet high to break on the shore, and the loss of many lives and the destruction of much property. The wave crossed the Pacific to the California coast in the same year at a time when earthquakes were taking place on the coast of South America. The eruption of 1854 was now black, shining, brittle and very porous, and it occurred on another eruption attended by many earthquakes. One of these caused a huge sea wave forty feet high to break on the shore, and the loss of many lives and the destruction of much property. The wave crossed the Pacific to the California coast in the same year at a time when earthquakes were taking place on the coast of South America.

SOLD THE INDIAN WIVES.

A Trio of Itinerant Saloon-Keepers Arrested.

GAINEVILLE, Tex., Dec. 17.—Deputy United States Marshal, C. J. Cooney, passed through this city this morning en route to Paris with three negroes charged with peddling whisky in the Territory. Their names are Tom Woods, William Prime and Henderson Williams. They have been carrying on their illicit trade for several months, but have always succeeded in escaping capture. Thursday night the officers hearing that the negroes were not at home took up their position beside the road leading to their cabin. The night was very dark and the officers had almost been overcome by the cold, steady rain when three men came riding along. The men were armed with revolvers and the officers were ordered to halt. A terrible pitched battle followed during which the flashes of the guns made the only light. The negroes continued to retreat from tree to tree, and after about seventy shots had been fired, they were all dead. However, one horse and twenty-one gallons of whisky were left behind. The two marshals resumed the search yesterday morning and caught the negroes unawares.

CHEATED THE GALLOW.

SUICIDE OF MURDERER BENSON—A FELLOW-PRISONER SEES HIS GHOST.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 17.—Murderer Chas. A. Benson, who cheated the gallows by suicide Wednesday, was buried at the expense of the county in the potter's field today. The only mourners were Benson's daughter, Rex, and the Rev. W. N. Page. A brief service for the dead was conducted in the undertaker's room, closing with a prayer. There has been much talk for the last twenty-four hours that the doctors were the final cause of Benson's death and that his self-inflicted wounds were not mortal. This rumor was caused by an operation performed on him while he was lying in the hospital. If the knife had cut into the intestines. No injury of this sort was found when the coroner's jury has reported that Benson's death was due to self-inflicted knife wounds.

JOSEPH GREASON, a post-office thief and forger, last night aroused the inmates of the county jail, in which Benson killed himself, by wild shrieks and appeals for an axe with which to break out of the cell. Greason was found in a highly nervous state by the guards. He declared Benson's ghost came into his cell with a shawl and tried to smother him. The presumption is Greason had a bad attack of nightmare.

RUMORED LYCHING.

REPORTED THAT IRVIN ROBERTS WAS HANGED AND RIDDLED WITH BULLETS.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Dec. 17.—Meager details of the lynching of Irvin Roberts just this side of Mountain City, have reached here, but the report which came in the early part of the evening has been contradicted and it is impossible to get at the facts, as

there are no telegraph facilities. One report says that Roberts was taken from the guards who were conveying him to jail and swung to a tree, after which his body was riddled with bullets. Young Crosswhite, son of the murdered man, intimated while here last week that Roberts would not be troubled to manage after he had been caught. It is not known whether he took a hand in the lynching or not. A feud has existed between the families for years. The latter yesterday at Corley, near here, severely beat an old white man and then left, going to Omaha, a small town, where Ledbetter saw him, and was attempting to arrest him, when the negro pulled a revolver and shot the officer dead. Indignation runs high over the outrage. It is believed Graham will be lynched if captured.

DEPUTY SHERIFF KILLED. TEXARKANA, Ark., Dec. 17.—Deputy Sheriff John Ledbetter was murdered this morning forty miles west of here, on the Cotton Belt Railway, by Harry Graham, a negro desperado. The latter yesterday at Corley, near here, severely beat an old white man and then left, going to Omaha, a small town, where Ledbetter saw him, and was attempting to arrest him, when the negro pulled a revolver and shot the officer dead. Indignation runs high over the outrage. It is believed Graham will be lynched if captured.

OUTRAGE ATTEMPTED. CLARKSVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 17.—News has just been received here of an attempt to outrage the person of Mrs. C. C. Covington, who lives near Guthrie, Ky., last night about 9 o'clock. It is impossible to obtain full particulars, but an investigation is in progress. It is known

that her assailant did not succeed in his purpose. Mr. Covington was absent at his mill at the time, but it is said that two colored servants were at the house. There is great excitement over the matter, and further developments may be learned, for a party has been organized to sift the affair to the bottom.

DECEASED ANOTHER TRIAL. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.—Judge Buffington today in the United States District Court, handed down an opinion overruling the application of Cook Hall, N. Coleman and Thos. Hughes for a new trial, and directing that they be brought up for sentence. They were indicted for robbing a number of post-offices.

H'D'K'F-BOXES FOR XMAS GIFTS. \$3 to \$20. Mermord & Jaccard's, Broadway, cor. Locust. Open till 9 every evening.

An Ingenious Scheme. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Charles Aldrich, aged 65, was brought here today from Manchester, Ontario Co., and placed in the Monroe County Penitentiary for selling liquor and tottering, having suffered a stroke of paralysis some time ago, and presents a pitiable appearance. He has been going through the country for twenty years pretending to peddle tomatoes. It is now known that instead of doing that he has been dispensing whisky and brandy among the farmers. An examination revealed that in the long coat he invariably wore were numerous deep pockets in which he could conceal his liquids.

THE GREAT CENTRAL WEEK OF

Barr's DOUBLE SALE

ST. LOUIS.

Last week we placed on sale \$50,000 worth of Silks, Velvets and fine Dress Goods. This Week, in addition to our Magnificent Holiday Stock, we shall offer \$100,000 worth of goods in Cloths and Flannels, Underwear, Boys' and Infants' Clothing, Upholstery and Cloaks, making the Grandest Opportunity ever presented to purchase Useful and Serviceable Christmas Gifts at Stock-Taking Prices.

FLANNELS.

These are all desirable goods and marked at bargain prices for the Christmas season.

- Lot 1. Complies all-over Embroidered flannels that were \$1.75 per yard, reduced to \$1.25.
- Lot 2. Fancy French Flannels and satin stripes, 75c and \$1.00 goods, down to 49c per yard.
- Lot 3. Is a 54-inch Honey Comb Cloth, heretofore sold at \$1.25; our price this week will be 60c per yard.
- Lot 4. Is a 27-inch Matinee Cloth; regular price was 50c, reduced to 29c per yard.
- Lot 5. This is a bargain worth looking after. Beautiful all-wool flannel Dress Goods, 50c was the price. You can buy them Monday morning if you come early enough for \$30c.
- Lot 6. Are the beautiful embroidered elderdown-cloth Robe Patterns, for little ones from 2 to 5 years old, dainty pretty things for the sick room or nursery. We have marked them from \$7.00 down to \$2.75 per pattern, each in its own handsome box. We have only a half dozen of them left.
- Lot 7. Is a 36-inch, double-faced extra heavy elderdown cloth, marked from \$1.75 down to \$1.00 per yard.

BOYS' CLOTHING.

The mother of little men knows how fast they wear out and grow out of their clothes. The prices we offer to-day may show her the way out of the difficulty experienced in trying to make it do the work of 2.

- Lot 1. Boys' silk, striped Blouse Waists that were \$4.50 are reduced to \$1.95; sizes 4 to 14 years.
- Lot 2. Are boys' all-silk, fancy striped Blouse Waists, sizes 4 to 14 years, that were \$5.75, reduced to \$2.45.
- Lot 3. Are boys' all-silk Blouse Waists, fancy and plain, sizes 4 to 14 years, that were \$4.75, reduced to \$2.45.
- Lot 4. Boys' handsome Jersey Knee Pant Suits, sizes 4 to 8 years, prices were \$7 and \$8, now you can buy them for \$3.45.
- Lot 5. Are all our Boys' Jersey Knee Pant Suits, sizes 8, 9 and 10, and now reduced to \$4.95.
- Lot 6. Are boys' two and three-piece Suits, 12 and 14 years, that were \$4.50 and \$5, reduced to \$2.50.
- Lot 7. Boys' Knee Pant Suits, pleated and plain styles, 4 to 14 years, were \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8, and \$9, reduced to \$3.75, \$3.95, \$4.50, \$5 and \$6.
- Lot 8. Are Boys' Kilt Overcoats, sizes 12 to 14 years; prices were \$5, \$6 and \$8, reduced to \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$6.
- Lot 9. Boys' school Overcoats, sizes 9 to 14 years, that were \$9, are reduced to \$6.

UNDERWEAR AND INFANTS' CLOTHING.

Rare opportunities are presented of securing the season's supply of Underwear at much below regular prices.

- Lot 1. Ladies' Muslin Drawers, yoke band, trimmed with Hamburg edge tucks above; were 50c, now 25c.
- Lot 2. Are Ladies' Muslin Chemises, pompadour yoke of tucks and embroidery, that were 60c and 75c; marked to sell at 40c.
- Lot 3. Ladies' Mother Hubbard Gowns, the comfortable kind, with yoke of tucks and hemstitching, or yoke of hemstitching, inserting and tucks, 90c and \$1.75c Monday morning.
- Lot 4. Ladies' French sets consisting of Chemise, Drawers and Gown at just 50c on the dollar of what they cost.
- Lot 5. Children's Coats, sizes suitable for 2 and 3 years, in plaids gray and tan; 50c, now 25c.
- Lot 6. Is an assorted lot of Children's Coats, sizes 2 and 3 years, some were \$5, \$6 and \$7; we have marked these all \$2.50.
- Lot 7. Handsome Coats for children 2 and 3 years old, trimmed prettily in fur or braided, some were \$9, some \$7 and others \$6.50. All will go at \$3.50 each.
- Lot 8. Are Children's Velvet Hats, flat, wide brim, corded crowns; regular price \$4, Monday's price, \$1.50.
- Lot 9. Children's handsome colored Hats, shirred brims and velvet crowns; reduced from \$5 to \$2.50.
- Lot 10. Children's handsome faille silk Hats, shirred brims and velvet crowns; were \$6, but you will find them marked to sell Monday morning for \$3.25.
- Lot 11. Are Children's Caps; an assorted lot in silks, shirred brims and close fitting; sizes 12 and 14 only; reduced from \$3 and \$2 to \$1.50 and \$1.
- Lot 12. A large variety of "Odds and Ends" in Hats and Caps at 10c each.

SILKS, VELVETS AND FINE DRESS GOODS

This week has been at times larger than our previous ones could offer. We have had to deal with the demands of the holiday trade. In consequence we offer the ladies an apology and assure them that we shall be better prepared Monday morning.

We have brought forward all our reserve stock of beautiful and novel silks, velvets and broads. Ladies who appreciate the effect of the fashionable tea gown will find many rare bargains in this beautiful stock.

SHOES.

A pair of shoes might be the very Christmas gift that would be both sensibly and appropriately given.

- Barr's Shoe Department contains all the newest and best finished footwear, and prices are in this, as all other departments, most reasonable. We have selected some special bargains for Monday's sale.
- Lot 1. 300 pairs of fine French Kid Shoes, both button and lace, opera and common-sense last, plain and pointed. We have always sold them at \$5 per pair; the price to-morrow is \$3.50.
- Lot 2. Are 200 pairs of \$1 and \$2 fancy patent leather dress boot, kid and cloth top; marked down to \$3.50.
- Lot 3. 80 pairs of patent leather Oxford, fancy trim; were \$4.50, reduced to \$2.00.
- Lot 4. We have reduced all our \$3, \$4 and \$5, and \$2.50 patent leather Oxfords to \$1 per pair.
- Lot 5. 118 pairs of French kid, low-button shoes that sold for \$3.50, \$3.00 and \$2.50 will go to-morrow for \$1 per pair.
- Lot 6. Is a special for you! 25 pairs of French kid button boots, Louis XV. heels, that were \$6.00, marked down to \$1.50.
- Lot 7. 150 pairs of French, imported one hand-sewed shoes, cloth tops, in lace and buttons. These are strictly bench made, and are worth \$7.00; we have marked them for Monday's sale at \$4.50.
- Lot 8. Are 150 pairs of patent leather, spring heels, cloth top shoes, in ladies' and misses' sizes, that were \$3.50, marked to sell at \$2.50.
- We have equally good values in boys', misses' and children's shoes.
- A line of beautiful Christmas Slippers, \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50.

MILLINERY.

The social season is just beginning. Our pattern hats are now placed on sale. We have put them right down to the price you usually pay for ordinary goods, or about the duty these paid to Uncle Sam.

- Lot 1. Are 250 Pattern Hats that cost us from \$20 to \$30 as models, you may take your choice for \$10.
- Lot 2. 200 Pattern Hats and Bonnets that cost us from \$20 to \$30, and we have marked them each \$10.
- Lot 3. 128 Hats and Toques, the product of our own work room and equally pretty; cost us from \$7 to \$10 each; we put the price to-morrow only \$1.
- Lot 4. 150 Sailors, navy blue, the newest shapes, regular price, \$1.25; yours to-morrow for 87c.
- Lot 5. Are Navy Felt Sailors; regular price \$1.75; reduced for this sale to \$1.
- Lot 6. 100 doz. navy blue Bedford Cord caps, regular price, 80c; will close out at 19c.
- Lot 7. 125 doz. of Boys' assorted caps, all for 49c.

This is the Way it Has Looked This Week at

BARR'S



CLOTHS.

- Lot 1. Contains our West of England Tweeds that were \$6.25 per yard, reduced for Monday's sale to \$3.95.
- Lot 2. Is our 54-inch black and colored corker goods that were \$5.00; reduced to \$2.95.
- Lot 3. Are 54-inch fancy Black Diagonal, reduced from \$4—just think of it—to \$1.95.
- Lot 4. Are 54-inch Fancy Cassimeres, reduced from \$4.75 per yd to \$2.25.
- Lot 5. Are the desirable Black English Serges that never wear out. They were cheap at \$2.65, but what do you think of them at \$1.25?
- Lot 6. Is a 54-inch English rain cloth, that was \$3.25 per yard; we have marked it to sell for \$1.95.
- Lot 7. Is a 54-inch Fancy Cassimere marked from \$4.75 per yd to \$2.60.
- Lot 8. Is a genuine Scotch Tweed, beautiful goods for tailor-made gowns. It was \$7.75 per yard yesterday, to-morrow's price is \$1.95.
- Lot 9. Is a medium weight cloaking, just what this climate renders most serviceable; reduced from \$5 per yard to \$1.95.
- Lot 10. 54-in. McIntosh Cloth, plaid, reduced from \$1.75 per yard to 95c.

SUITS.

In our Cloak Department we shall make a "clean sweep" of all our Ready-Made Suits for Ladies and Children.

- Ladies' \$10.50 Suits for..... \$ 7.50
Ladies' \$8.50 Suits for..... 17.50
Ladies' \$15.00 Suits for..... 12.50
Ladies' \$28.50 Suits for..... 20.00
Ladies' \$32.50 Suits for..... 23.50
Ladies' \$20.00 Suits for..... 15.00

—AND—
Children's \$5.00 Suits for..... \$3.50
Children's \$6.00 Suits for..... 4.00
These are rare bargains.

We also have an advance arrival of the latest novelties, "Tweed" Jackets, the fashionable addition for a dressy toilet, at from \$10.50 to \$35, and

Serpentine Waists from \$2.50 up.

These would be very acceptable Christmas gifts.

UPHOLSTERY.

There are still special bargains in this department, although our wide-awake customers who quickly recognize Barr's bargains, have secured many of the goods advertised this week. Don't fail to include this department in your Christmas shopping. We have bargains.

Portieres, Lace Curtains, Rugs, Drapery Silks and Upholstery Fabrics, Quilts and Blankets.

CORSETS.

We have one lot of the world-famous F. D. Corsets. About 50 dozen, slightly soiled, which we will close out this week at less than half the usual price.

BARR'S, ST. LOUIS.

Don't Fail to Get a Dainty Lunch at Barr's New Restaurant

(ST. LOUIS.)

You will find well-cooked food, nicely served under the personal supervision of Mr. L. Mohr, the popular caterer.

Mr. Mohr will also take orders for Cakes, Creams, etc., to be delivered at your homes.

TO LOOT A SUB-TREASURY.

An Attempt Was Made to Get Away With \$80,000,000 in Gold.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A. L. Drummond, Chief of the Secret Service at Washington, in his annual report refers to the discovery and frustration by his officers of an attempt to "loot a United States sub-treasury." Operator John Brooks, who is at the head of the secret service in New York, said to-day he did not know what sub-treasury was referred to. He said that such an attempt was made, and that he had done some work in connection with it. Further than this he said he could not speak.

It is estimated, however, that the attempt was made about the time when \$20,000,000 in gold was shipped from the sub-treasury in San Francisco to the New York sub-treasury. He said that it was the idea of a building, and that there were a number of big men, burglars and others in the scheme. Sub-treasury was embraced in the scheme. Another story of the attempt to "loot a sub-treasury" referred to in this report, was told by one of the officers of the Sub-Treasury in this city last night. "I heard," he said, "as a rumor, and I never learned the details. It happened in Philadelphia early in the summer. The sub-treasury in that city occupies the first floor of a building, the other floors being occupied by various offices. A gang of burglars got into the office above the sub-treasury and bored a hole through the floor. Their intention evidently was to enter the room below

COLONISTS RECEIVED.

Title to Land Which They Had Purchased Found to Be Clouded.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 17.—There is trouble down in the Dutch colony, located in the San Luis Valley on lands sold to the Holland-American Emigration Co. by T. C. Henry, the big Dutch builder of Colorado, and the 250 Hollanders, who came to settle on the land a few weeks ago, are up in arms. Mr. Henry is charged with selling them land on which there is an incumbrance equal to almost its full value, and promising a clear title. According to the directors the land purchased of Mr. Henry contained 5,000 acres, all under ditch, and it was for the property of the Empire Land and Canal Co., of which Mr. Henry is president. The colony company was to pay for it in two payments. The first payment was made in

DIAMOND STUDS; XMAS GIFTS.

\$10 to \$50. Mermord & Jaccard's, Broadway, cor. Locust. Open till 9 every evening.

Valuable Stock for Sale. LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 17.—Thirteen head of trotting horses, belonging to Hart Boswell, breeder of Nancy Hanks, left here today for New York City, to be sold there next Wednesday by J. C. Kellogg. In the contingent are three fillies out of the dam of Nancy Hanks (2-94), and all of the thirteen are close kin to her.

SOUVENIR SPOONS; XMAS GIFTS.

\$2 to \$10. Mermord & Jaccard's, Broadway, cor. Locust. Open till 9 every evening.

THE OLD RUSE.

An Attempt to Palm Off a Borrowed Baby as Her Own.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—"In many respects this case is like that of Eva Mann and Robert Ray Hamilton," said Lawyer Cooney yesterday in the Lee Avenue Court in referring to the case of his client, Adolph Hayer of No. 245 Bowery, New York City. Hayer had been arrested on complaint of Mary Brunnenberg of No. 71 Second street, that city, who claimed the prisoner was the father of her child. She wished to force him to assume the responsibility of the infant's support. Mary was not in court when Lawyer Cooney opened the case. The lawyer glanced about in search of the complainant, and informed the court that he had been present he would have asked for her arrest on a charge of perjury. He explained to the court that he was prepared to prove that the child which the woman was trying to impose upon his client was a foundling bought by the complainant for the purpose. Judge Goetting demanded an explanation, when the lawyer had two witnesses sworn who testified that Mary Brunnenberg had visited a number of institutions where had offered to buy any child which resembled her own. The witnesses asserted their belief that the child which the complainant produced in court had been procured from a foundling asylum. Judge Goetting said, upon hearing the testimony, "The court looks like a daring attempt to use a purchased infant to extort money. The prisoner is discharged."

*Left to supply everybody. ~~Our~~ Our Prices Are the Lowest Ever
Made for Fine Goods.*

Diamond Rings	\$5 to \$300	<h2>Xmas Gifts for Everybody</h2> <p>—AT—</p>
Diamond Ear-Rings	\$10 to \$500	
Diamond Studs	\$5 to \$300	
Diamond Locketts, Diamond Lace Pins, Diamond Cuff Buttons.		
Ladies' Watches	\$4 to \$100	
Gents' Watches	\$5 to \$175	

217 North Sixth Street.

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ker of 2222 Gravois avenue with an earthen
in front of 18 South Seventh street, and
cting a wound about three inches long
the left eye.

aps extended congratulations to Mrs. esmeler.

n Monday night Hanson Post gives a and camp fire at Pickwick Theater. It will a demonstration worthy of Hanson Post.

INTO THE "WANT" GETTER.

YOU WANT TO GET

Every Sunday for the WANT ADVERTISERS of the DAILY
and SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

Appearing in the Post-Dispatch of the Sunday following will receive the largest number of answers. To the successful contestants

WILL BE GIVEN, IN SUMS AS FOLLOWS:

Ten Rewards of \$1 Each, 10.00

Only advertisements addressed "Care Post-Dispatch" can be selected, as we have no means of keeping a record of answers not sent in our care.

Answers will not be received later than noon of Monday following the Sunday the guess is made for. All persons putting in "Want" ads., either Daily or Sunday, will receive a "Want" ad. blank, but guesses will be made on Sunday advertising alone.

"Want" ad. blanks will be furnished to patrons who apply at our counter; also at all of the Post-Dispatch Branch Offices for "Want" ads. throughout the city.

Seals will be broken on envelopes containing the filled blanks in the order received, and the first one examined containing the correct answer will receive the largest reward, the next the \$5 reward, and so on until the twelve rewards are given out.

No one but "Want" advertisers will be eligible to this contest. Employees or connections of employees of the Post-Dispatch cannot send in guesses.

THIS IS A TEST OF JUDGMENT.

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the Want Columns of the Sunday Post-Disc

and express an opinion as to whose advertisement will receive the largest number of replies.

Enter the Contest You Must Be a Want Advertiser

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everybody reads the wants in the POST-DISPATCH

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BRANDT'S

All the Latest Novelties!

SENSIBLE PRESENTS FOR CHRISTMAS.



From 75c to \$3.00.

U. G. BRANDT SHOE CO., Corner Broadway and Lucas Av.

See Our STYLES and PRICES Before You Buy!

The Largest Assortment Ever Offered in the City.

Open This Week Until **9 P. M.** Saturday Night Until **10:30 P. M.**

Fausts Assorted Colors. \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.

Ladies' Fancy Slippers, All Shades and Colors.

Doil Shoes, The Largest Assortment in the City.

HOLIDAY CLOTHING.

NEVER BEFORE

Have we put on our tables MEN'S and BOYS' WEAR, made from such handsome and durable fabrics, such becoming styles and such elegant tailoring as the goods we now offer to the public—and our prices on our WINTER STOCK are lower than ever.

LADIES who wish to make sensible and acceptable Christmas presents are specially invited to come and look at our elegant stock of

Men's and Youths' Overcoats,

Ranging in price from a good Melton at \$8 up to FINEST ENGLISH KERSEY and FRENCH MONTAGNAC, satin lined, at \$45.

In Men's and Youths' Business or Dress Suits

Worth \$25 and \$30

This is NOT one of the roasted chestnuts going around, but an actual fact. 100 styles splendid All-wool Suits, made up to sell for \$25 and \$30, go in our special sale at \$20.

Boys' Knee-pant Suits, fine all-wool fabrics, cheap at \$8.50, are \$5 during our special sale.

Boys' School Companion free with every suit.

HUMPHREY'S.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18, '92.

The indications for St. Louis for 10 days are: Fair; slightly cooler.

THE DELICATESSEN CAFE
715 OLIVE STREET.
For Ladies and Gentlemen.
STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS.

Stamp Albums
Are very appropriate Christmas presents. We publish 22 different styles, ranging in price from 30 cents to \$12.00 each. News and book trade supplied. Stamping for collectors. Old collections bought for cash. Price list sent free.
C. M. MARSH, 610 N. 10th St., St. Louis, Mo.

BARWICK'S RESTAURANT
415 and 418 North Sixth Street.
Regular Breakfast, Dinner or Supper, 25c.

CITY NEWS.
PRIVATE matters skillfully treated and medicines furnished. Dr. Dinsbeer, 614 Pine st.

Dr. W. B. Shelp.
Teeth without plates, 613 Olive street.

THAT MOTHER-IN-LAW.

The Alleged Cause of the Marital Troubles of the Winslows.
YANKTON, S. D., Dec. 17.—Judge Smith today heard argument on application of Mrs. Daisy Winslow of New York for alimony. Winslow is a playwright of considerable note, being author of several successful plays which net him an income of \$30,000 a year. Nat Goodwin, D. Frohman, Miss Jarman and Agost Smith Russell are paying him royalties aggregating \$20,000 a year, so his wife alleges, and if Winslow is to have a divorce, she wants alimony. Mrs. Winslow alleges that her mother-in-law is the cause of all the trouble. One witness testified that Winslow was under the influence of his mother to such an extent that he had never had his hair cut without his mother's consent, which was often given in writing. She will probably sue for alimony.

A Good Printing Press Is Given Away With Every Boy's Suit.
Or boy's overcoat sold in our Ready-Made Clothing Department. This is done to call your special attention to our Boys' Clothing Department. Our prices are very low and our stock is very complete. We have the latest assortment of boys' overcoats shown in St. Louis. All this season's manufacture.

MILES & AVERILL,
Broadway and Pine.

A GENERAL FIGHT.
Italian Laborers Demand Their Wages, Which Results in a Riot.

JOHNSTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 17.—A gang of Italian laborers, employed on the Cayadutta electric road, endeavored today to compel the contractor, J. W. Coffin, to pay them their wages. They are several weeks in arrears. They got into the office, and when an attempt was made to remove them they brandished knives, razors and pistols. This enraged the citizens who had assembled to the number of several hundred and an attack was made upon the Italians with sticks and snow shovels. The leader of the Italian gang drew a revolver and fired into the crowd. He then fled and was captured by an officer after a long chase. None of the shots took effect, but a number of the Italians were severely clubbed and retreated to their camp, vowing vengeance. The contractor has fled. Special policemen have been appointed to guard the town.

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GENTLEMEN—Having read "Dodd's Electrical Psychology," and becoming greatly interested in this science, I invested in an Electroscope. The experience that I have had with it in my family confirms me in the belief that it will accomplish all that you claim. I can recommend the Electrosopes as a safe investment. Very truly,
JAMES A. GUEST.
Apply to National Electroscope Co., 410 Mermod & Jaccard Building, St. Louis, for terms and circular.

Colder Weather.
The probabilities are that to-day will be decidedly colder than yesterday. The thermometer began to fall shortly after midnight and before midnight registered 29 deg. above zero. A sharp northerly wind arose and caused the cold to seem much more severe than it actually was. The thermometer is low in the west and a cold snap is among the possibilities.

Holiday Removal Sale.
Trunks and traveling goods. We move to 614 and 616 Washington avenue, Jan. 1. We must reduce stock. Our prices on these goods for the next fifteen days will surprise you. Herkert & Nessel Trunk Co., 120 N. 6th st.

KILLED BY HER SON
A Peculiar and Pathetic Accident in the Indian Territory.

THROWING AT A SQUIRREL A BOY BROKE HIS MOTHER'S SKULL.

After Lingered Five Days the Injured Woman Died—Child Accidentally Poisoned—Pierced Through the Heart—Killed by the Accidental Discharge of a Gun—General Casualties.
EUPLA, I. T., Dec. 17.—A few days ago an Indian woman, wife of Yorkina, was accidentally killed by her son in a very peculiar way. Yorkina was away from home one day and while he was away a squirrel was discovered by his wife in a tree in the yard. She called to her little boy, about 12 years old, to come and help kill the squirrel, by throwing rocks and sticks at it. The tree was a small one and the rocks came close to the squirrel. It ran down the tree to escape and when it got near the ground on the side of the tree near the boy he threw at it with a rock and missed the squirrel, and the tree, the rock struck the mother over one eye and broke the skull. The boy ran to his mother, held her up, led her into the house and helped her to bed, where she lay for five days and died.

RUN OVER AND MANGLED.
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 17.—While crossing the street, railway track on West Fifth street this morning, L. A. Reister, an old citizen of Little Rock, 75 years of age, was run over by an electric car and horribly mangled. One of his legs was crushed, both arms broken and his chest and head also crushed. The motorman was changing a bill at the time he ran over the old man and did not see Reister while he was crossing the tracks.

PIERCED THE HEART.
CLARKSVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 17.—While climbing a fence with a knife in her hand, Minnie, the little daughter of S. B. Tucker, a farmer of Todd County, Ky., lost her balance and fell upon the sharp point of the open knife which her mother had given her. The blade penetrated to the heart, killing her instantly.

ACCIDENTALLY STABBED.
ELGIN, Ill., Dec. 17.—A serious stabbing affray occurred at the village of Hampshire, ten miles west of here, last night. While taking part in an amateur dramatic performance, Miss Rosa Schultz accidentally stabbed M. W. Jones through the lung. It is feared the wounded man will die. Both parties are teachers in the village.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.
PARIS, Tex., Dec. 17.—Bunyan Henry, who resides six miles north of Clarksville, accidentally shot himself yesterday. He had been hunting, and on dismounting from his horse his gun was in some way discharged, the whole load of twelve buckshot entering his hip. His wound is a very dangerous one.

RUN OVER BY CARS.
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 17.—Louis Pointer, a journeyman painter, was run over and killed by the cars at Buena Vista last night. His home is in Texarkana, where his family reside. He was horribly mangled.

DAMAGED BY STORMS.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 17.—The United States steamship Adams, which arrived from Ounalaska this morning, reports having encountered a severe storm of four days' duration, which carried away several boats and considerably damaged the vessel and injured three seamen.

CHILD ACCIDENTALLY POISONED.
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 17.—Berlinde, the little 9-months child of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jarrett, of one of the city, swallowed a strychnine pill which she discovered in a little box on the mantel. When found she was in convulsions. The physicians have slight hopes of her recovery. Mr. Jarrett had obtained the pills on a physician's prescription for himself some time ago.

THE USUAL RESULT.
WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 17.—John Schuman of Belle Plaine accidentally shot and killed himself to-day while lifting a shotgun from his buggy. It was discharged and the charge of shot plowed through Schuman's right side. He died in twenty minutes.

SHAVING CASES
Fitted with goods that can be used. Kern's, 114 North Broadway.

Stole an Overcoat.
Last night about 9 o'clock a man rushed breathlessly into the clothing store of Marcus Cologne at 720 Morgan street and muttering something to the proprietor, grabbed a cheap overcoat and made his escape. The theft was reported at the Third district station, but at a late hour last night the thief had not been arrested.

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Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway, cor. Locust. Open till 9 every evening.

LEGALLY DECLARED INSANE.

Mrs. Louis Gretorian, After a Short Release, Returned to Bloomingdale.
NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The inquiry into the mental condition of Mrs. Louis Gretorian came to a sudden end before Judge Pryor in Common Pleas, yesterday. Mrs. Gretorian is the widow of Christian Gretorian, the wealthy East Side real estate dealer, who died last January. She had been taken to Bloomingdale two years before his death. He provided amply for her in his will. He named her, Mrs. Fischer, to take care of her. Mrs. Fischer lived at No. 55 East Third street, the former residence of the Gretorians. Neighbors whispered that Mrs. Gretorian was unwisely detained in the asylum. One of them, Henry J. Roth, petitioned the court to have her examined. She was brought from the asylum yesterday as a witness for herself. All her friends from Third street were present in the courtroom. Some of them had testified on the previous day that Mrs. Gretorian was sane. The doctor was asked simple arithmetic questions and answered some of them wrongly. He had to acknowledge that he would not consider this an evidence of her insanity. Lizzie Farley, a nurse, said Mrs. Gretorian had once called her a thief. Mrs. Gretorian got excited at this and shouted out in court: "That's a lie!"

The court officers tried to stop her, but Judge Pryor said: "Let her go on. It is the best evidence we could get." The judge ordered her to be put on the witness stand. "You and I will have a little talk together," he said. "Speak any answer you wish to give." She said: "I will return my kindest compliments for 51 years old. She did not know where her husband was. She had been told he was dead. She believed he was in Germany, protecting his name." She continued to talk incoherently and the jury pronounced her insane and leaving her in the care of the court. She struggled in the courtroom but finally was led down stairs. At the door she screamed: "Oh, take me home!" The physicians placed her in a carriage and drove away. Mrs. Fischer walked out, looking triumphant. Mrs. Gretorian, janitress of No. 12 Elbridge street, which is the home of the Gretorian family, favored Mrs. Fischer. The janitress approached Mrs. Fischer and began to taunt her, claiming that she was a thief. Words were exchanged. Finally Mrs. Fischer struck Mrs. Gretorian. There was every prospect of a serious quarrel. A policeman stepped up and separated them. He hustled Mrs. Fischer through one door and Mrs. Gretorian through another.

SHAVING MUGS.
Names and decorations put on to suit. Kern's, 114 North Broadway.

CONSTRUCTIVE FORGERY.

Peculiar Methods Adopted to Steal a Registered Letter.
FARMINGTON, Mo., Dec. 17.—Deputy Sheriff Herod of this county returned from St. Louis yesterday, bringing with him as a prisoner Leo Falk, who has been serving a term in the St. Louis Work-house on a charge of constructive forgery. Falk is supposed to have been connected with a series of burglaries which were committed here several months ago, but the crime for which he is now in prison is a forgery. Falk is now in prison, surpassing anything in the ordinary annals of crime.

When Falk lived in Farmington he made his headquarters at the store of John T. Burke, County Treasurer, and was in the habit of calling for Mr. Burke's mail at the Post-office. One day he received a notice for Mr. Burke to call at the office for a registered letter. He waited until postmaster Douglas had left the office and then he demanded the registered letter, which was given to him by a clerk. The letter contained Mr. Burke's money and he signed it "John T. Burke per Leo Falk" and forwarded it to the sender of the money and appropriated the money to his own use.

FANCY NIGHT SHIRTS, Stems, Dresden and silk embroidered, 50 cents to \$3.
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Want Lee for Police Commissioner.
The St. Louis City Drummers' Association met at their rooms, corner of Sixth and Chestnut street last night, and adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the St. Louis City Drummers' Association as a body and its members irrespective of party affiliations, heartily endorse the candidacy of Lee for Police Commissioner. The association has been organized for the purpose of securing the best police for the city. It is the belief of the association that Lee is the best man for the job. It is the belief of the association that Lee is the best man for the job. It is the belief of the association that Lee is the best man for the job.

SHAVING CASES
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Sudden Death of a Railroad Man.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 17.—J. N. Du Barry, Vice-President of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., died suddenly at his home, 217 Spruce street, this morning.

NOT CROTON OIL.

Constituents of Poison Given the Non-Union Workmen at Homestead.

TESTIMONY OF THOSE ENGAGED IN THE POISONING CONSPIRACY.

Croton Oil at First Suggested—A Powder Guaranteed to Break a Strike in Four Days Offered—The General Sickens Among the Non-Union Mill Hands Attributed to the Poison.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.—The hearing in the case of Robert Healy, charged with having been a party to a plot to poison non-union men employed by the Carnegie Steel-works at Homestead, was held at the office of Alderman McManis this afternoon. "I will hold the defendant for trial at court," was the decision of the Alderman. He said that he had heard the testimony of half a dozen or more witnesses. The office was thronged when, at 2:30 o'clock, the Alderman directed the case to proceed. Andrew Brennan appeared for the defendant and A. Y. Beck for the prosecution. Tat Gallagher (the confessor) was not present. J. M. Davidson, a steamboat cook, was the first witness. He stated that in August, in company with Gallagher, they met Healy in Pittsburgh. "It was understood," he said, "that we were to go to Homestead, as cooks, and were to take something with us to put in the food given to the non-union men, in order to make them sick and render them unfit for work. They took us to the office of the headquarters of the Knights of Labor and introduced us to Master Workman Dempsey. Gallagher and Dempsey did most of the talking. They said we were to give the men croton oil, but I said I would give them a powder which he had used in Culebra and had broken a strike in four days. He said it was a dangerous powder and he would guarantee us \$50 each, and our expenses. We got no powders that day. We then left the office. Gallagher said we were each to get \$50 and a gold watch and chain if we went. Gallagher went to Homestead and put in thirty gallons of croton oil. He then came back and said he had given me some powder to take to Gallagher. I don't know whether they were used. Gallagher had been given a small package from Dempsey. One package was enough to put in thirty gallons of croton oil. This was at the Knight of Labor Hall and Healy was present. Later, Gallagher asked how the powder worked. Healy said, 'successfully,' and we were each given \$50. He said we would get more. On Dec. 1 I asked Healy what was in the powder. He said rhubarb, snuff and other things. He did not say who furnished them. While we were talking he mentioned Lynch, Crawford and Dr. Furman."

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Detective J. H. Ford testified to hearing Healy describe the powder and his story in any particular. He insisted that he had not administered any powders to the men. He said he was arrested late in November and taken into the St. Nicholas building and was sworn and told the story he had just told and was released.

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THE COMING MOTOR.
Electricity to Be Put Into Use by Railroads.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 17.—It is learned that among other purposes for which Henry Villard made his trip to the West was the investigation of the Cooper-Hampton patents in this city and their application to electric power. Mr. Villard was so much interested himself that after his return to New York he sent his personal electrical expert to make further examination. The report of the expert has been so favorable that Mr. Villard has, in connection with T. J. Lowry, made a large investment in the Cooper-Hampton patents. Mr. Villard is supposed to be the special agent of the invention which relates to motive power, and especially the use of the patents applied to the operation of street railways. It is said that a great revolution in street car companies is sure if the reported efficiency of the new application is in any degree sustained. All that now remains to be done is to see if the invention is whether the principles can be economically applied in manufacture and successfully put into use. That the principles themselves are all settled beyond any question, but to prove the whole, cars are to be actually fitted out and run and thus it will be proven for a reality. This is to be done first with the Minneapolis system, and Mr. Lowry will, himself, direct the full practical test. It was said that Mr. Villard regards the Cooper-Hampton principle as applied in all of their inventions as the proper discovery yet made in the field of electrical development. Mr. Lowry will have some of the Minneapolis cars fitted out immediately by having some of the motors made in New York and put on and tried in Minneapolis. If the success is what is expected the motors as well as the other inventions, the pump and the elevator will be at once manufactured on a large scale and undoubtedly in this city. No one has secured, and no one will secure, any exclusive rights.

Run Down by a Train.
NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—About 1 o'clock yesterday morning west-bound passenger train No. 41 of the Pennsylvania Railroad ran down a man near the Hackensack bridge. Engineer C. Swann stopped the train with T. J. Lowry, conductor. The driver and trainmen went back to look for the body of the victim of the accident. They found it in a box and sent them to Jersey City. Capt. Farrer found a piece of the unfortunate man's coat, and in a pocket was a torn letter addressed to "Theodore Standus, Perryville, Mo." The letter read: "MY DEAR SON—Take the advice of your fellow medical students—"

The remainder of the letter was gone.

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TWENTY-ONE MURDER CASES.
They Are on the Criminal Court Docket for the January Term.

There are twenty-one murder cases on the docket for the January term of the Criminal Court and there are twice that number of men charged with homicide in the various degrees, awaiting trial in jail or out on bond. Some of the cases are new; that is they are new to the court, as a case is considered still fresh in the Criminal Court when it is six months old. The most of them, however, are old cases, and have been on the docket for two years. The January term extends through February and up to March. During the month of January, ordinarily the murder cases are set on the docket for trial on Monday, so that the jury may be impaneled during the next two days of the week and the other three or four days of the week. In setting the January docket the court clerk, Joseph Judge, found he had only eight murder cases on the docket for the January term. He placed twenty-two more cases on the docket for every Monday of the term and then sprinkled a few in between on odd days. The fact that these cases are on the docket is no guarantee that they will be tried. It is doubtful if more than four defendants go to trial, while as many may be allowed to plead to lesser degrees of homicide than that charged against them and be sentenced to in a few years in the Penitentiary. Among the names on the docket are to be found the following: Milford Vail, Charles Wisdom, John Willard, Jessie Bowman, Jessie Davis, Sam Lee, Jim Gay, E. W. Roberts, John W. Roby, Adolph Mullberg, Louis Ulmer, John Tracy, Breunhaun and Clara Herman Holtkamp. Joseph Habes, Luke C. O'Reilly, J. T. Andrews and W. Brown. Among the other noted cases set for the January term are the Holston-Bushman case, four cases of arson against James Preston and the long-drawn out case against J. B. Roegner and Henry T. Foss.

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REAL ESTATE INTERESTS.

A WINTER BUSINESS EQUAL TO THE VOLUME OF SPRING SALES.

Review of the Market—Comparative Gains in Transfers of Properties Since 1889—Mr. S. H. Leathe Makes a \$171,000 Purchase on Washington Avenue.

Last week's sales of real estate, as appears from the considerations given in deeds filed for record, for the week ending December 5, 1892, show a volume of business equal to the volume of the same period of the previous year.

This is a little short of the previous week's business, but the sales are more numerous, and the volume of the trade during the whole and up to the present time is greater than was the entire transfers of properties during the months of June and July last year.

Some of the agents will consider this a remarkable statement, but the figures of record showing the immense increase of this branch of business, upon which the wonderful growth of St. Louis in all its industrial, financial and mercantile interests is based. The market is in splendid condition. Values are going up fast enough in all localities to enable investors, who buy by contract, to make money. In the business sections the demand is rather too strong. It excites owners to a degree that puzzles them as to the right time to let go, and for that season sales of this class of property are not so numerous as they would otherwise be.

In residence properties, that is in established neighborhoods, the demand is excellent for the time of year, the inquiry coming almost exclusively from builders who make a business of building dwelling houses for sale. In the sections of the city, there has been a good deal of speculative buying, the demand for those properties having been recently stimulated by the newly projected electric lines which will add immensely to the value of contiguous sites when these roads are put into operation.

Several large negotiations are now under way for acre plots, and they will, doubtless, be closed if the pending applications for rapid transit for the city are approved. Both local and non-resident owners who are posted on the St. Louis real estate market are much pleased with the outlook for next year. They predict that next year's business in the sale of property will double that of any, the great year of 1890, not excepting. From present indications it appears that the predictions will be verified as the building growth of the city is increasing in proportion with the sale of property, and as the new improvements are made there are plenty of people here and anxious to occupy the premises.

PERCHASE A BLOCK.

In last evening's POST-DISPATCH there was a report of the sale of a block of ground on the north side of the city, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets, next west of the Culver Range Works, for \$400,000. The block is bounded by the Culver Range Works on the east, by the railroad on the south, and by the city limits on the west. The block is 100 feet wide and 1,000 feet long. The owner, Mr. S. H. Leathe, has purchased the block for \$400,000. The block is bounded by the Culver Range Works on the east, by the railroad on the south, and by the city limits on the west. The block is 100 feet wide and 1,000 feet long. The owner, Mr. S. H. Leathe, has purchased the block for \$400,000.

Mr. Leathe, the last purchaser, has a block of 100x100 feet on the north side, and 100x100 feet on the south side of the city. He has a heavy real estate owner, a frequent buyer and one of the best of the city. He has made quite a fortune within the past five years buying and selling vacant residence property and building business sites. Some of his best deals have been in Washington avenue properties. He is well posted on the city, and along that street, and it is doubtful if a more reliable judge of Washington avenue values could be found here.

BUILDING ASSOCIATIONS.

Reports from the Secretaries of the Progress of Several of These Institutions.

The Real Estate Building and Loan Association held its regular monthly meeting, and loans were made aggregating \$7,320 at 6 percent interest. The association has a total of \$100,000 in loans, and has a surplus of \$10,000. The association has a total of \$100,000 in loans, and has a surplus of \$10,000.

AGENTS' REPORTS.

F. W. Mott & Co. report the following sales:

Broadway—Three places of property on the east side of Broadway, between Filmore and Bowen streets, aggregating 100 feet by depth to the Iron Mountain Southern railroad, and formerly owned by Messrs. Horatio D. Wood, J. H. Deane and John H. Hartman, were sold to the corporation represented by Messrs. William & George Johnson, for \$25,000. The ground is to be used for the immediate construction of a large iron foil factory, the plans for which are now ready, showing a fine main building of 100x100 feet and three stories in height.

Kirkwood—A lot 100x100 feet, between Broadway and the river, and having a front of 220 feet on Broadway, east side, to Dr. Alois Blank, who is going to build a laboratory on the site at once. The consideration was \$5,000.

Henry H. Hensley, Jr., reports the following sales:

Second Carondelet avenue—No. 2,352, between Launi and Barton streets, a three-story ten room brick dwelling house, with lot 20x120, owned by William H. Hensley, sold to Mr. George Liebmann for \$5,500.

Dickson street—No. 807, between Garrison and Webster avenues, a two-story six room brick dwelling house, with lot 15x120, owned by Mrs. Susan E. Fisher, sold to James Sullivan for \$1,500.

The Haynes Realty Co. report the following sales:

Cates avenue—South side, in city block 4,66, west of Goodfellow, 60 feet of ground at 82 1/2 feet east of Carritt Bros., who are going to improve the site.

Tuxedo Park—A 50-foot lot on the east side of Tuxedo boulevard, at 412 1/2 feet to N. J. Durie.

Hill & Hammett report the following sales:

Broadway—A lot 100x100 feet on the south corner of Kraus street from Mrs. Elizabeth Staumann and 300 feet of ground to the Nelson Morris Packing Co. of Chicago for \$4,000. A wholesale meat market will be established on the lot.

Nicholson avenue—A one-story three-room brick dwelling with lot 20x120 on the east side of Nicholson avenue, between Broadway and the river, sold to John P. Housh for \$1,500.

Charles F. York reports the following sales:

South seventh street—House No. 1115, between Wyoming and Arsenal streets, a new two-story brick dwelling, containing six rooms, arranged on two floors, with lot 20x120 feet; sold for \$5,000 from International Real Estate and Improvement Co. to Otto Nickel for a home.

McNair avenue—House No. 304, between Arsenal and Pestalozzi streets, a one-half story brick dwelling, containing five rooms, bath, etc., with lot 20x120 feet; sold for \$2,500 from International Real Estate and Improvement Co. to Otto Nickel for a home.

Harris & Wengler report the sale of house

No. 8850 Cates avenue, in Cates avenue terrace, with lot 100x100, from E. G. Garhard Building Co. to H. G. Krake for \$10,000. Pontiac & Brueggemann report the following sales:

Greer avenue—South side, between Marquette and Broadway, a two-story brick dwelling, with lot 20x120 feet, owned by George H. Lewis, sold for \$5,000 to H. G. Krake.

George Dausman reports the sale of 100 feet of ground on the south side of Pine street, east of Sawdust avenue, 80 feet, from Miss Adeline K. Karrar to Charles H. Tylor and George H. Tylor.

T. P. Bell & Bro. report the following sales:

Their Walnut Park subdivision, 100x140 feet on the west side of Florissant avenue, between Robin and Gilmore avenues, to H. S. Smith, at 315 per foot; 20x120 feet on the south side of H. Gilmore avenue, between Thekla and Theodore avenues, to J. S. Dausman, at 120 per foot; 20x120 feet on the north side of Robin avenue, between Thekla and Theodore avenues, to H. P. Hoffer, at 85 per foot; 20x120 feet on the south side of Robin avenue, between Thekla and Theodore avenues, to J. S. Dausman, at 120 per foot.

Forrest Park place property, G. A. Hart being the owner, sold to Otto Nickel for \$1,500.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS.

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Shenandoah street—North side, between California and Oregon avenues, lot 20x120, owned by Wm. Zink, sold to J. S. Dausman for \$5,000.

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NOT SENTIMENTAL.

Leviathan Steamship Companies Possess Little Tenderness.

BAD STORY OF THE DEATH OF A NEW YORK BAG-SEWER.

Patrick McDuffy Entered the Hold of the Bolivia and Never Returns—His Crushed Body Found Beneath Thousand of Bushels of Grain—His Old Mother's Pathetic Appeal.

New York, Dec. 17.—Sentiment and steamship companies have little to do with each other, and it is probable that Mrs. McDuffy, the widow mother of P. McDuffy, whose body has been found under the grain in the hold of the Anchor Line steamship Bolivia at Glasgow, will find it vain for the return of the body to this country.

McDuffy had been working for the Anchor Line as a member of grain bags, his mother says, about the docks at the foot of Harrison street. He had driven trucks for them before that. His new task was to go into the hatchways and on the bags before they were refilled, on Nov. 18—a miserable rainy day, and a Friday at that—he hung up his coat on a peg and went into hatch No. 2 of the Bolivia. That night he did not come home. His old mother worried all night.

Next day she came over from Brooklyn and went to the docks. That's what she still hangs there, but no one had seen him. From then until the vessel's sailing day, Nov. 26, workmen kept heaping in the grain. Old Mrs. McDuffy was telling the company's people every day that they were burying her son deeper and deeper. She called on the police. They could not do anything, save drag in the water all about the pier. They thought McDuffy had walked overboard.

"And now they won't even let me have his body to bury it," she moaned to-day. "He was an American. I've got his naturalization papers here that he took out, and I want him buried here. I want to see him. I want to touch him; I don't care how he looks, he was my boy, and if they won't let me go that far, they told me for an excuse that he was not fit to bring back now—just let them fetch me two bits of his bones. They give me all sorts of excuses, but the first one was the true one. They told me they could not bring the body back—they did not know who was to pay for it."

There was a wealth of scorn and anger in the short, dumpy old woman's gestures and accent, when she said this. But when she had ended she began crying into the checked apron again, and her daughter cried too. District Attorney Higginway said last night he did not believe Mrs. McDuffy could compel the company to bring back the body, but if she could prove any negligence on the part of the company she would be entitled to \$5,000 under the state law.

Wm. Covenly, one of the Anchor Line agents, declared that McDuffy had no business to be on the Bolivia.

"He was a bag sewer," said Mr. Covenly, "and his place was on the pier. We have no information as to which hold McDuffy's body was found in, but we were filling hold No. 3, where it is said to have been found, with corn in bulk. There were no bags to be sewed there. I fail to see how McDuffy could have gone into the hold without some one seeing him, and we have not been able to find any one who did. We have no proof that the body was there, but we have emptied the stowage. We did not even hear the talk about it until after we had left port."

Mr. Covenly said no effort would be made by the steamship company to bring McDuffy's body home. He could not see why the body could be as well as he was in Scotland as here. As far as he was concerned he would as soon a relative were buried in Africa or in Greenland as in any other place.

Every published account of the accident has given the names of men who saw McDuffy go into the hold and who said they did not see him since. This was all shown before the Bolivia sailed. At the anchor line office yesterday it was said that the removal of the body is a matter of its placement in the ship's hold would have cost \$1,000.

Gold watches for ladies, \$20 to \$150. Gold watches for gents, \$30 to \$250. Silver watches for ladies, \$10 to \$40. Silver watches for gents, \$10 to \$45. Silver watches for boys, \$5 to \$25. Marvelous array of fine time pieces. Lowest prices in America at MERMOL & JACARD, Broadway, cor. Locust.

A Long Rest Between Chapters. The Manchester (N. H.) Union.

Short time ago one of Manchester's well-known school teachers was stopped on the street by a young man who entered into conversation with her. He seemed to know her well, but to save her life she could not place him. "You don't remember me," he said after a few moments' talk. The teacher admitted that she did not. "I remember one day," he said, "and seventeen years ago I used to go to school to you." She recalled him, then, when he said: "I remember one day you started to tell the class a story, but before you had time to finish it, a telegram came by a telegram and did not complete the story. I have often wondered how it came out, and if you can I wish you would tell me." "You will repeat the first part I will try," said the schoolmaster. The young man did so, and the teacher then told him how the story "came out."

SHAVING and toilet sets, collar and cuff boxes, gold-headed canes, jewelry, for Christmas presents. GLOBE, 701 to 725 Franklin avenue.

A Fresh Social Idea.

From the Lexington Journal. A novel and felicitous plan for choosing partners was recently practiced at a Calais whist party. Family albums had been ransacked and photographs of all the gentlemen at ages ranging from 6 months to 20 years, in dresses, in kilts and in the "first fall," were gathered together in a hat from which the ladies drew. Some men had retained their baby looks long enough to be easily recognized, some were complete enigmas, while the others were more or less plain in spite of the additional hair on lips and cheeks and subtraction of hair on heads. The gentlemen were not in the secret originally, and their amazement when the pictures were laid out of the bag was one of the funniest parts of the fun.

Terrible Warning.

From the Chicago Tribune. Nine-year-old Cornelia's description of the frightful thing—written early the next morning.

"Ugh! What a hideous monster it was! With red tongue, green eyes, yellow body, and long tail the frightful thing sat astride little Johnny's neck as he meekly vainly endeavors to free himself from the monster. The thing had its claws firmly clutched around each ear, pounced upon his head and down, and said this will be a warning to you. Next thing I knew I was not so much as a piece of paper, but a piece of turkey, and no cheese!"

Irritation of the Throat and Hoarseness immediately relieved by "Brown's Bronchial Troches."

Johnny's Golden Dream.

From the Boston Herald. Little Johnny wasn't lazy, but he did hate to get up in the morning. His mother was constantly scolding him. One day Johnny came down very late and his mother said to him: "Johnny, why did you not rise earlier this morning?" Johnny looked rather sheep-

ish, but he was equal to the occasion. "Mother," said the rogue, "I dreamt that I found you, and me and Charley Smith were having such fun spending it that I was afraid to wake up until I had got rid of all the money."

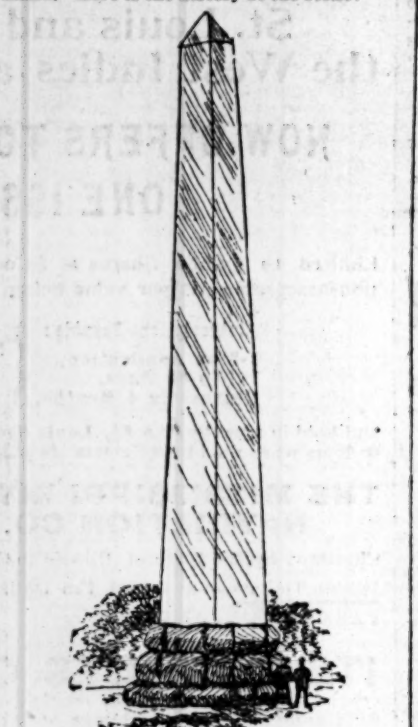
ONIX TABLES FOR CHRISTMAS.

\$10 to \$500. Mermol & Jacard's, Broadway, cor. Locust. Open till 9 every evening.

THE TALLEST OBELISK.

Quarried in Wisconsin to Be Given to the World's Fair.

The fact recently announced in the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH that the largest monolith in the world had been successfully quarried in Wisconsin excited much attention and led to many inquiries as to the particulars of a feat that surpassed those of the ancient Egyptians, notwithstanding that those old obelisk specialists had armies of slaves at their command. Here is the history of the stone:



Wisconsin Obelisk for the World's Fair. Height 115 Feet.

In the month of May of this year exploration began at the Excelsior Quarry, Wisconsin, to find a suitable stone, and several locations were uncovered by removing the earth and top rock where the stone was found perfect in color and texture, with every prospect of success. Until about seventy feet was reached, when a small crevice or crack appeared which prevented getting the length required. Other points were tried without success and then the Excelsior Quarry was tried. Five steam chisels and thirty men were set to work on Aug. 1. Work was pushed rapidly and a perfect shaft was secured, 115 feet long, in October and the first part of November the stone on each side and at each end of the shaft was cut away and by the middle of November nothing remained to be done except to wedge the bottom of the stone from its bed.

For this work wedges had been entered, and that remained to be done was to drive them upon a given signal until the stone was wholly separated. Fifty men were carefully selected for this work and with mauls raised, on Nov. 15 they waited for the signal.

The word was given at 11 o'clock by President Fronton of the Excelsior Quarry, a man, who donates the stone to the State of Wisconsin. At the sound of his voice the mauls descended, and each man struck a wedge he stepped forward, from the base to the apex, striking at each step. The men kept step like soldiers, and the fifty mauls descended as though welded by one shaft separated from the ledge. There was a slight tremble at the moment of complete parting, and there lay the great monolith.

The monolith was completely separated, and the stone was found to be 115 feet long, 10 feet at the base and 12 feet at the top, and it weighed by ten feet the tallest obelisk produced by the Egyptians. The great shaft will be towed by a tug to Chicago. Four more monoliths, each twenty five feet tall, will be quarried and sent to Chicago to be placed in proper positions about the monster monolith.

CANES FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

\$1.50 to \$75. Mermol & Jacard's, Broadway cor. Locust. Open till 9 every evening.

USEFULNESS OF DEAD LEAVES.

It Left About the Tree They Re-Investigate It and Protect It.

Written for the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

Leaves do not fall from the trees until their sap has entirely evaporated. They contain at that stage no more nutritious properties and they are of but little use.

The gathering up, on the contrary, if left on the ground around the foot of the tree from which they have fallen the dead leaves form the best kind of shelter against cold for the roots and the grass that grows at the base of the tree, which they cover as with a porous blanket, so to speak, retaining from 82 to 94 per cent of water, they form a reservoir for rain and snow, gradually imparting this food and humidity to the earth, which absorbs it by capillary force. Even the color of the dead leaves increases the absorbing power of the soil for warmth and light, those two prime factors of vegetation. Nor is this all. The roots of the tree draw from the soil the elements of their necessary sustenance would soon gradually so impoverish the latter that no nutritious substances would remain, if in turn the decomposing leaves did not make sufficient food for the roots where vegetation is always vigorous through a constantly re-invested soil, are the most striking example of the natural economy of vegetable life. It is wise therefore in cities the streets of which are lined with shade trees, not to sweep the dead leaves from under them, but allow them to gather around the tree boxes, where they form a natural coverlet for the roots against the winter's cold and a draining reservoir from which the tree draws its aliment and humidity.

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Oz was of the prophetical order, at that bedstead of his, if I reckon rightly, was about 17 feet long by 7 wide. Nothing new under the sun, except cures from tight shoes.

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THE ESQUIMAU VILLAGE AT CHICAGO.

Three Babies Have Been Born There—An Esquimau Copper.

Special Correspondence SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—One of the sights for the curious at the World's Fair grounds now is the Esquimau village, which is located in the extreme northwest corner, adjacent to the various state buildings. Those who enter and leave the grounds by the Fifty-seventh street gate are confronted a few feet to the north by a high broad fence, bearing the legend, "Esquimau Exhibit—Admission 25 cents. There is a ticket window and the fence, and near by is one of the thousand and one turnstiles, which will click merrily all over the grounds during the exhibition. The village is at the extreme end of the lagoon, the arms of which wind in and out about the great white buildings.

The particular arm of the lagoon which penetrates to the Esquimau habitations is cut off at the wrist, so to speak, by a broad fence. Just at the surface of the water an opening is made in the fence. This aperture is there for a purpose, as the watchful visitor readily sees. Persons using the Fifty-seventh street gate are obliged to cross the lagoon by a little rustic bridge, and on this the majority of them pause to gaze at the fence hiding the sturdy people from the Arctic regions. One of the Esquimau in full dress has been introduced by the New York importers to act as a sort of "copper." He floats upon the hidden hand of the lagoon and gives his slender body a deft turn or two, shoots towards the hole in the fence and disappears. His eyebrows suggest the action which the most finished canal boatman might envy.

In the sight of the Esquimau on the bridge he goes through a series of evolutions in his tapering canoe, then wheels about and disappears through the fence. The stranger, a roly-poly little man is the bait for the show and when he shoots out his right arm and a rush for the ticket window and turnstile. He wears an outfit of fur, topped by a peaked hood of the same from which a pair of bright, beady eyes, looks up like a full moon on a foggy evening. His eyebrows are heavy and on his chin is a patch of beard.

On the east side of the enclosure is a large kennel or yard for the Esquimau dogs, and about a score of these animals loiter around the ice-fringed pools or the frozen ground in seeming contentment. Sometimes they engage in fierce fights when they snap, bark and bite at one another like wild animals. They have the heads and fangs of wolves, and their dirty white coats suggest the split variety.

Just now the enclosure resounds with the rap of hammers and the rip of the saw, as the carpenters work on the little board huts which are to house the strange people when the snow flies. Meaning the strangers live or exist in flimsy wall tents upon board rafts. There are several of these Esquimau tents scattered over the acre. These are made of seal skin. They run up to a point and are held to the ground by boulders. These tents are not occupied, and the visitors who enter them narrowly escape asphyxiation and are glad to retreat.

Three babies have been born in the village since the tents were pitched. The children are alive and well. The women of the village usually keep within their tents, are only seen by the visitors who poke their heads through the tent flaps and hastily withdraw them. Once in a while, when a fashionably dressed woman pleases to stroll through the mud of the camp, the curiosity of the Northern women asserts itself and they peer forth in silent inspection of their civilized sister.

These people have a greed for money. They are always looking for tips. When they see curious people examining some of their strange belongings or peering through the slats at their voracious dogs they walk up and volunteer information. In return they expect pay. When as well as men in this village wear trousers. The entire outfitting is seen in one place, finished at one and with the peaked hood and at the other with heels and soles boots of generous proportions. It must be very difficult to enter and leave these union suits of the arctic regions, but the indications are that the strangers seldom indulge in the luxury of a change.

In the village are a number of small boys and girls and they have rapidly made friends with the small fry of the neighborhood. The boys outside the fence and the numerous piles of lumber of the contractors near by and build platforms upon which they mount to exchange pleasantries with the youngsters from the frozen North. They have given the little yellow boys, tops, marbles and toys which are highly treasured, and in return they have received odds and ends of Esquimau curios which their parents allow them to store in the barn or bury. There is a bond between boys which cannot be broken.

The Esquimau will spend the coming winter in the board huts now being constructed for them, and when the fair opens they will be moved to the south end of the grounds near the live stock exhibit, where they will be lodged in cold storage apartments during the hot months.

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The Ocean Greyhounds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The City of Paris crossed the Inman Line, which holds the Eastern record and the Etruria, of the Cunard Line, started at 2 p. m., to-day for a race across the ocean, both steamers carrying 1,000 passengers and 100 crew, and will spend Christmas at their homes in Europe. To accommodate this travel the

This is the last trip of both the steamer for some little time. The City of Paris will return March 1, and the Etruria about Jan. 1. The former is really flying the American flag. Among the Etruria passengers were Arthur Herbert, Secretary of the British Legation at Copenhagen, and bride, Mr. Herbert was married at Newport Wednesday last to Miss Helen Carnegie, who, on the day came into possession of \$5,000,000, her portion of the Carnegie estate.

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marriage day. In less than six months the bride and bride had parted in great bitterness. The girl gave up her father forever. He returned to California and spent the rest of his life in the same manner. His spirit was broken. He lost his money in a mine on the Comstock and after more than a year he returned to his home in the stonehouse which he subsequently lost in the estate in San Diego.

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were lecture, saying that but
the fact that he was com-
pelled to call court elsewhere he would
dismiss them out indefinitely. He also stated
that many twelve men ought to decide the case
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CHARLEY TO COME.

Hall Says So and Backs Up His Opinion.

BILLY MADDEN INSINUATES THAT MITCHELL IS NOT SQUARE.

Fulfills His First Match From El-Hot-Local Gun Gossip—Among the Cyclists—Cooked Hot League—Sporting News of All Sorts.

New York, Dec. 17.—Boxers and sporting men differ materially in their opinions of many things pertaining to pugilism. Billy Madden, for instance, doesn't think that Charley Mitchell ever had a remote idea of facing Jim Corbett in the ring. He believes, furthermore, that the British fighter is playing a confidence game on Jim Hall, Goddard's manager figures that Charles told Jim to leave him and fight Fitzsimmons. As soon as his sentence expired Mitchell would have England and ruffie the champion's pompadour, Charles, so Madden thinks, declared himself "in" with whatever Hall won, and in turn promised Jim half of his profits. "Now then," says Madden, "Hall will beat Fitz. Charley will get half of that \$37,500, and instead of fighting Corbett he'll go right back to England on the first boat."

Madden is probably not aware of the fact that Mr. Hall has quite as long a head as many men who are considered shrewd. At any rate, Madden and Hall met in the cafe of the Union Square Hotel yesterday and had an argument about Mitchell which terminated in a wager. Joe Goddard, Peter Maher, Dave Holman and Capt. Frank Williams were also present, and the occasion of the meeting was to quaff a farewell glass of champagne with Goddard, who left for Chicago with Madden at 6 p. m. Goddard and Madden were both positive that Mitchell would not fight anybody.

"I'll bet him \$10,000 to \$5,000 and go to him any way he likes," remarked the man who believes the knockout is a fallacy. "Yes, you can safely say that," put in Madden, "and furthermore, you can bet he won't fight Corbett." This went on for a time, Goddard in his blunt way repeated what he has so often said about boxers being effectually stopped, and said Corbett and Mitchell showed very good judgment in steering clear of him. There is one thing about Goddard, he isn't afraid to fight any of them, nor is he at all backward in betting his own money whenever he fights.

Hall listened to all that was going on, smiling frequently at Goddard's earnestness. Finally he said to Madden, "Don't you really think that Charley will come over and fight Corbett?"

"No," replied William with emphasis. "I'll bet you a hundred he'll sign any articles that suit Corbett, and fulfil whatever contract he makes," said Hall.

Madden whipped out a big roll of bills and, selecting two \$50 notes, handed them to Dave Holland. Hall promptly covered the money, remarking that Madden hadn't a ghost of a chance to win.

"They can say what they like about Mitchell," said Hall, "he can fight. That's been proved. And he will fight, too. I don't know how he'll make out for a time, but will venture an opinion that Jim won't leave the ring without a scratch."

They had another "thin drink," as Col. Ford says, and the party soon broke up.

Madden offered Peter Maher \$250 to go to Chicago and spar with Mitchell as a reward for a favor done by the Irishman's friends advised him to go. But Peter would not listen to it.

"If ever I put on a glove with Goddard," said he, "there won't be any pantomime sparring about it. He'll lick me or I'll lick him. There's a fellow who roasts me so long as he let Tony Sago alone."

So Madden and Goddard started off without the ex-Irish champion.

GENIUS OF THE GRIDIRON.

LORIN F. DELAND, THE APOSTLE OF FOOT BALL REFORM.

Football discussion does not subside with the close of the regular season. All through the winter months until the base ball fever reawakens with the spring, the history of the year's exploits on the gridiron feeds the imagination of the football fan. Wherever football is discussed this winter the name of Lorin F. Deland is spoken with particular reverence. He is the apostle of foot ball reform and teaches the gospel of strategy, not strength.

Personally Mr. Deland is a modest man who would not distinguish himself either by interest or achievement in the athletic line. He is a very clever man and his intimate friends say he is a brilliant tactician. His business is peculiar. It consists in solving intricate and troublesome problems. He has a dozen or fifteen clients, principally large manufacturing concerns, which are in many instances the largest of their kind in the United States or, for that matter, in the world. For these clients he works out methods and means of increasing and developing their business.

As a relief from the intense mental strain required in his business Mr. Deland in his leisure moments, has studied the art and strategy of war. After witnessing his first game of foot ball he became convinced of the applicability of strategy as seen in war to the game. The result was the invention of the "flying wedge," which is nothing more than an imitation of one of Napoleon's favorite methods of turning the enemy's flank. Mr. Deland has a number of other movements which he has learned to employ against Yale next year.

The inventor lives at No. 112 Mount Vernon street, Boston, where he and his devoted wife, the authoress of "John Ward Preacher," have a most artistic and cozy little home.

THE WHEEL.

ST. LOUIS NEW CYCLE TRACKS—RUNNING EXPENSES OF CYCLING—CYCLING CHAT.

Local wheelmen are greatly pleased over the prospects of two cycle race tracks to be built here next spring and it will prove to be a good thing for the growth of the sport and the increased membership of the clubs, suitable training and more grounds have long been in demand here and with these facilities St. Louis' racing men will again rank among the best in the land. The new track which will be located in the new

Sportsman's Park, will be a quarter mile affair, twenty feet wide on the track stretch and twenty-five feet wide on the home stretch. The surface agreed upon is cement laid on a well-compacted foundation of broken stone and cinders. The curves of the track are to be very gradual and laid on scientific lines, and as a further safeguard the curves will be banked from four to six feet. The track will have every convenience in the way of dressing rooms, showers, bath, etc., and its advantageous location will doubtless insure its success from the start. The coming season will be a livelier year yet experienced in the history of cycling, and with suitable tracks St. Louis is bound to be placed in the western racing circuit. All the crank racing men of the world are coming to this country next year, to participate in the world's championships. Chicago and a number of them will doubtless pay this city a visit. There are various opinions expressed as to the size of the track, some claiming the advantage of a half mile track, while others think that a track built on the lines of the one proposed would be more advantageous, as in this case the spectators can see the race from start to finish. This will create more interest in bicycle racing. The other half mile track, which will be much to do with the quality of racing and with a comparative narrow track the wheelmen will have to be limited to prevent accidents. The cement for the new track will be laid in the winter, and when the weather is so cold that it is not possible to ride on it, the beauty of it is that it can be ridden on within half an hour after it has been laid. A delegation of local wheelmen had a conference with Mr. Von der Aue, president of the National Association, and were very well pleased with what they heard and saw.

RUNNING EXPENSES OF CYCLING.

An English statistician has figured out the comparative cost per mile of cycling, and as this is about the first time this has been done it will be of interest to wheelmen generally. He states: "I have now the records of four machines. The first was a cheap private machine. It looked very much like a bicycle and was of the kangaroo pattern. The second was a machine with a high seat, a high rear driving, solid tire, safety, all by the same makers. Machine No. 1—bought in September 1888, sold in October 1889, twenty months; original cost, complete, \$11.65; miles ridden, 81; actual cost per mile, 14.4 cents. Machine No. 2—bought new April 1888, sold February 1890, retained for six months; original cost, complete, including accessories, \$15.95; miles ridden, 2,300; actual cost per mile, 6.9 cents. Machine No. 3—bought new March 1889, sold October 1890, twenty months; original cost, complete, \$11.65; miles ridden, 81; actual cost per mile, 14.4 cents. Machine No. 4—bought new April 1888, sold February 1890, retained for six months; original cost, complete, including accessories, \$15.95; miles ridden, 2,300; actual cost per mile, 6.9 cents.

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STORY OF A JOCKEY.

THE "MAJOR'S" SUCCESSFUL ENTRY ON THE TURF AND THE CAUSES WHICH LED TO HIS QUICK RETIREMENT.

BY J. J. HAKINS.

Written for the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

The Major made his first appearance upon the Eastern turf at Sheepshead Bay in the gray dawn of an early June morning when the handicappers were being given their final preparation for the suburban. The track was alive with horses, jockeys and stable-boys, walking, cantering and galloping them. Groups of trainers, owners and bookmakers' lounged in the fences, catching the time of the different trials.

Col. Bill, who had sent the first division of his 2-year-olds up to the Futurity course, had climbed into the steward's stand for purposes of better observation. He was intently watching his horse, his white hat half concealing his round, good-natured face, when he was startled by a high, shrill voice at his elbow, saying:

"Good mornin'."

He turned around suddenly and there stood a little bullet-headed, freckled-faced boy, whose torn and tattered trousers were in most uncertain relationship to a ragged white cotton shirt by one suspender. His naked feet were dusty and travel-stained and through the top of his coat, brimless hat a bunch of hair protruded like corn tassels in October shocks.

There was nothing of the beggar in the boy's manner, however, for he stood up straight on his dusty little feet and looked at Col. Bill with the calm tranquility of an equus.

"Well, Majeh," said the Colonel good-humoredly, "do you bring yo' stable with you?"

The boy regarded him in dignified silence for a moment and then said quietly:

"Do you want any help around the stable?"

The Colonel looked him over with his practiced eye and noticed that his arms and legs were long and that his body was small. Then he asked, with increased interest:

"Ever ride for anybody?"

"'Bin ridin' mos' as long as I kin remember," said the boy, and then he added reluctantly, "I never rode no races, though."

"No," replied Col. Bill dryly, "you don't look like a 200-pounder," and then he saw the boy's face flush he changed the conversation and asked him who he was and whence he came.

There was little to tell. The boy was born and raised in Kentucky. His parents died when he was a baby and he had lived all his life with an uncle, who kept a very stable. He had to work very hard, feeding and exercising the horses and was ill treated in return by his uncle. He grew tired of his hard life, and, hearing that jockeys earned plenty of money, he ran away from his uncle to become a jockey.

It is not difficult for a boy to obtain work in a racing stable during the season, and he is familiar with the fact that it is exceedingly easy. The Colonel liked the boy from the first, a feeling which was probably intensified by the fact that the boy was a Kentuckian, for Kentuckians are more clan-like than Scotchmen. And so, without much deliberation, the runaway was employed. He was to go on trials for a week, and if he proved satisfactory he was to get his board and clothes and \$20 a month.

They had made all these arrangements in the steward's stand, and as the great parade of the sun, which had long been sending glowing streamers across the eastern sky, followed his heralds, his great dazzling disk glowed through the green trees far away up the chute.

"Come on over to the stable and get breakfast," said Col. Bill, and breakfast was given them when they got to the stable and Uncle Jim, who Col. Bill brought on from Kentucky to cook for him, and who regarded himself as the general manager of the stable, was in a great hurry to get the boy and his fee pot had been long sending forth aromatic greetings from its wide, hospitable mouth, the great heaped-up dish of crisply broiled ham was waiting, and the great platter of hot, brown corn cakes, the pride of Uncle Jim's life, while the gray, without which any breakfast was incomplete, was still bubbling away on the stove.

"It's like water and whisky," the Colonel said to the boy, "and you'll find it a good race problem. 'Water is all right separate, an' so is whisky. It is all about 'em to get 'em mixed up.'"

The Major was up with the other boys at 8 o'clock in the morning, most of the boys being given the stable nurse, while the air was cool. The boys took the horses to the stable and the Colonel was called by the first set came back their stalls had been cleaned and prepared for them; then breakfast was served, and the boy was taken out. Before the sun came up strong and fierce the morning work was usually over and the boys took their own breakfast with ravenous appetites.

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Among the horses the Major rode morning and evening was an extraordinary-looking 8-year-old gelding, who for some time he was a gawky, vicious, long-legged hammer-headed horse, with a long neck and a white birthmark extending diagonally across his face gave him a sinister expression, which was immeasurably increased by his right eye being a cold blue, while the left was normally black.

The colt was owned by the Emperor and, with several others in the stable, was owned by a Pittsburgh horse dealer, who had been known as a turfman. The Emperor occasionally showed great speed in his trials, and he was much respected on the distance and then quit, coming back to the stable with a wicked gleam in his cold blue eye, smiling and behaving better for him than for any one.

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And then he contemptuously prodded the Emperor's nose with the tip of his cane, aimed a savage kick at the Emperor's head, which fell short. The noise brought out the Major, who ordered the Emperor to leave the stable. The Emperor looked at the Major and laughed loud and jeeringly.

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When the sheephead Bay meeting was over Col. Bill's stable moved on to Monmouth Park. While the Colonel had been fairly prosperous at Sheepshead, everybody in the stable knew that he looked for a great triumph at Monmouth, where the rich Omnis Stable with Longtime, who was being specially prepared for that great event. The Emperor was in the stable, too, and Col. Bill decided to start both horses.

"Longtime is a little sluggish," wrote the Colonel to the Emperor, "and Emperor will make some of them. Come on and see the race."

On the morning of the great race Col. Bill said to the Major, carelessly:

"Don't feed Emperor to-day. He's going to start in the Omnis, and maybe you can ride him."

The Major was speechless with delight. At last he was to ride in a sure enough race; to wear the silk jacket and cap and all; to ride before those people up there in the grandstand, and perhaps—how his heart jumped and throbbed at the very thought of winning the great race! When he reached the stable, he found the Emperor in a good mood, still a moment. He visited Emperor fifty times to stroke his neck and to see that he was all right; he examined the bridle and harness, and he had his jacket on long before noon.

It seemed forever to the boy until Emperor and Longtime were led from the stable over to the paddock. The Emperor was led by the stable boy, and the Major, who as usual, was to ride Longtime. The Colonel called him over. "I want you, Majeh," said the Colonel, "and you'll find it a good race problem. 'Water is all right separate, an' so is whisky. It is all about 'em to get 'em mixed up.'"

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before him one of the horses had swerved in to the rail. The pathway he had marked out for himself was a narrow one, and he was in a hurry to get to the stable. He was in a hurry to get to the stable. He was in a hurry to get to the stable.

There is no time to go around on the outside. The Major groans. Then his quick eye notices the white horse, and he is in a hurry to get to the stable. He is in a hurry to get to the stable. He is in a hurry to get to the stable.

On in front of him is looking over his shoulder and grinning. Just for one moment he hesitates, bends his head down, and aims straight for the opening. He hears a frightful cry from the crowd, and he is in a hurry to get to the stable. He is in a hurry to get to the stable. He is in a hurry to get to the stable.

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Several times after that there were similar groins and more wine, and as the boy was then at the high tide of his enthusiasm, he was drunk and enthusiastically.

One night after the June meeting at Sheepshead Bay, the Major was in a hurry to get to the stable. He is in a hurry to get to the stable. He is in a hurry to get to the stable.

They had more wine at the Coney Island, and went down that long street which is called the Bowerly, where there is a continuous babble of shouting, cheering, and shouting, and where they stopped more wine was drunk. There were trainers or jockeys, or jockeys' valets, who were in the crowd, and wherever they stopped more wine was drunk.

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BEWARE OF IMITATIONS. THEY ARE WORTHLESS.

ROAD'S EXTRACT.

WILL CURE YOUR

AS IT CURED THIS MAN'S.

"I have been a constant sufferer for years (from about November 1st until the following June) from severe colds in my head and throat; in fact, the whole mucous tissue from the nose, down to and including the bronchial tubes, was more or less affected. It was fast developing into CHRONIC CATARRH. I had tried most known remedies and was finally persuaded last March to use POND'S EXTRACT. I snuffed it up my nose and inhaled it; gargled my throat with it and swallowed it. It relieved me wonderfully and has effected almost a radical cure. I have used it for burns, bruises, and sprains, and believe it invaluable in such cases. I believe also that no family should be without it in the house, feeling as I do that it comprises

Dr. A. M. COTTELL, Owner, Mrs. Emma H. Indiana, Ind.: "I have suffered so intensely (from piles) that I have wanted to commit suicide, but, thanks to your medicine, I am cured, sound and well, and only used two 5-cent bottles of Pond's Extract, and one box of Pond's Extract Ointment."

WHY ENDURE THE AGONY OF PILES? WHEN YOU CAN BE CURED BY POND'S EXTRACT. SEE LANDSCAPE TRADE-MARK ON BUFF WRAPPER.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Trains Running Into the Union Depot—St. Louis Time.

*Except Sundays. †Daily. ‡Except Saturday. §Except Monday. ¶Monday.

BURLINGTON ROUTE. LOUISVILLE, EVANSVILLE & ST. LOUIS "AIR LINE."

Through trains to Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha and Chicago. Free Pullman, Tourist and Free Chair Cars. Through trains to St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Duluth. Through trains to Chicago, St. Louis, and St. Paul.

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These arithmetical conversations went on up to 10 o'clock precisely, and the Manager of the General Credit Bank, who, to do him justice, was as honest a man as one can be in business," very punctiliously escorted his last visitor to the hall. It was an old clock-pocket made of money, who by a not uncommon chance, was held in general consideration instead of being lodged at Poissy or in a jail at the cost of the State for a period

He had been learning foreign languages from his cradle upward, who next year should ride on a pony; Raoul, who should hereafter be authorized to add his mother's name to his own, and be called Godefrey de Neufmontains, Godefrey becoming the first name! and what a first name! It was royal, mediæval, smacking of the Crusades! Was it not pitiful! These were the dreams of the self-made man, with more money than

Meanwhile the brougham has once more rattled across Paris in the cold, grey night, and has put the endless Boulevard Malesherbes behind it. And now, when the rampart has been crossed, the vast buildings and fashionable mansions are all at once succeeded by the ominous rolltide and gloomy roads of the outskirts. The coachman pulls

How it would have puzzled the lynxes of the Bourse and the intriguers of the Palais Bourbon if they could have known that M. Godefroy was distressed because this poor devil had no confidence in him! But wait a little! He will find a way of teaching the man not to doubt his gratitude. There are good appointments at the bank, as attendants and collecting clerks. What will the loubster say when he has a fine uniform of gray cloth and

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per copy.

When they fell almost at the muzzle of his gun his laughing friends asked him if he was love or if some secret trouble was worrying him.

At last he acknowledged it.

"The fact is," said he, "I am obliged to leave you soon, and that is vexing me."

"What! Going away! Why?"

"Oh, a business matter calls me away, and can't stay much longer." Then they spoke other things.

When dinner was over the servant in black

DR. O. W. F. SNYDER,
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HOME LIFE and WOMAN'S WORK

WOMAN'S WORK.

THE W. C. T. U. TO HOLD A WEEK OF PRAYER NEXT WEEK.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is doing work at Jefferson Barracks. Last Sunday Mrs. F. H. Ingalls and Mrs. Carpenter visited the Barracks, taking with them Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman.

Mrs. Hoffman made an excellent address to the soldiers, urging them to abstain from intoxicants, tobacco, and to lead good, pure lives.

The ladies felt much encouraged when quite a number of the men signed the pledge.

Sunday afternoon Mrs. Hoffman spoke for the Harper and Keystone Unions, and in the evening for the Metropolitan. She made many converts while in St. Louis and was well received everywhere. Mrs. Hoffman is a fine platform speaker, and is receiving calls from every part of her own land and from many foreign countries.

All the churches in the city are asked by the W. C. T. U. of St. Louis to remember the cause of temperance Friday, Jan. 6, which is Home Mission Day in the week of prayer.

A special meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Saturday, Jan. 7, when the prayers will be for the families of the drunkard and the moderate drinker.

This meeting will take place at Odd Fellows' Hall at 2:30 p. m.

On Thursday, Jan. 5, all the W. C. T. U. members will be asked to specially remember in their prayers the missionaries of the society.

Home of the Friendless.

The inmates of the Home of the Friendless, No. 441 South Broadway, look forward to Christmas with as much pleasure as other do. The old ladies have one other entertainment during the year which is a great event in their lives, and that is the annual strawberry festival which occurs every spring at the home.

They have one grievance which sets heavily upon those who are possessed of the pride that makes us all selfish from being called, or actually being objects of public charity, or considered friends after spending many years in this world. That is the sign over the gate, "Home of the Friendless." It is a thorn in the flesh of some of the old ladies, who have both friends and relatives in St. Louis and other cities, and who would rather pay moderate sum and be independently situated and kindly cared for in a public institution than stay where they are no longer useful and can only be a constant charge and care to those who have many other duties.

Some of its inmates are refined and cultured women who have once occupied prominent and influential places in the world. Unless those who apply for a home at the Old Ladies' Home have been disabled from self-support they cannot get in under 60 years of age. But many women have as vigorous minds at 60 as they had at 40. The home is supported by charity in the form of annual subscriptions and donations, with an income from an endowment fund.

The reports for the year just passing have been most favorable. There are at present sixty-five inmates, and each vacancy caused by death has been promptly filled.

Mrs. Copp, the Treasurer, said the receipts for this year from the endowment fund had been \$124, annual subscriptions, \$2,162, other sources, \$2,355; which added to last year's balance of \$1,388 made the total \$12,188. The disbursements for the year were \$9,382, leaving in the treasury \$2,806. The officers for the coming year are as follows: First Directress, Mrs. Charles Holmes, who has held some post for thirty years; Mrs. S. C. Holmes, who has held the post for thirty-six years, having been elected first in 1858. Mrs. A. J. Chapin is Second Directress; Secretary, Mrs. J. G. Chapman. Board of Directors composed of Mrs. J. G. Chapman, John C. Vogel, E. E. Webster, John T. Davis, Wm. Stoble, E. C. Copelin, C. C. Cummins, Anthony Blandford, J. C. Blandford, Jas. H. Allen, Chas. Ehlermann, Joseph H. Holliday, E. A. Hitchcock, Daniel O'Brien, John N. Schumann, Halsey C. Gray, H. Davis, Dexter Tiffany, Thomas H. West, J. E. Lawton, Harry Elliott and Miss J. B. Glover.

The Rebekah Hospital.

About a year ago Mrs. C. P. Wise accompanied by other ladies who were deeply interested in the founding of a woman's hospital in St. Louis, called upon the Post-Dispatch to publish an appeal to the public, for help and co-operation in this truly worthy charity. The SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH did publish an article containing the names of the ladies interested in the enterprise, and explaining to the public the fact that they desired to found a hospital for women alone, where all the diseases of women could be treated free of charge and under the treatment by the best specialists in St. Louis, who have offered their services without money and without price. Thus a long-felt need would be supplied and those women who are unable to pay for nursing, medical attendance and sometimes a comfortable bed, and who shrink from going to the City Hospital, would have an asylum in case of illness.

After the publication of the article referred to there seemed a lull in regard to the hospital and many persons seemed to fear the work had failed though it is true that who had taken the work in hand were earnest workers and at last the result of many months of persevering work has been successful and the members of the faculty of the Marion-Sims College of Nursing, just completed, to the Board of Managers as a home for the hospital. The building, just completed, is a well-appointed building constructed after the most approved methods of modern sanitation and comfort, suitably furnished, it is only necessary to make provision for conducting the hospital so that the beds may all be free. The hospital will be under the management of the Board of Managers, and those who furnish rooms and donate a certain sum to the support of the hospital will be allowed to send patients to the hospital. Among those who have already come forward and taken rooms to furnish as memorial apartments are Mrs. Samuel Cupples, the Young Ladies' Society of the First Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Richard Ghiselin, Mrs. Thomas Booth, Mrs. Henry C. Pierce, Col. Charles S. Dills and Mrs. August Gehner who has furnished two rooms. Quite a number of others have signified their intention of furnishing memorial rooms, and all of the fifty beds will be entirely free of charge.

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A Novel Doll Show.

The ladies of many of the neighboring cities are interested as well as St. Louis women in doing all they can for the poor, to make Christmas a pleasant and memorable period to them.

A friend writing from Kansas City where she is at present visiting says: "The

Kansas City ladies have been getting up a doll fair, for the benefit of the Children's Hospital. The doll show is somewhat of a novelty, as it is being based upon a new idea, which will make it much more attractive than an ordinary doll show. The ladies who took upon themselves the work of the show determined to have something out of the ordinary and conceived the idea of petitioning the different actresses who have special roles to send dolls representing their favorite characters which they play. The following actresses have responded: Sidney Armstrong, Agnes Rodney; Viola Allen, Cicely Homespun; Amy Ames, Kitty Malone; Lottie Alter, Savilla Kittle; Blanchard, Henrietta; Marie Burroughs, Yashti; Agnes Burroughs, Veronice; Elvira Cox, Diana; Isabelle Cox, Niobe; Henrietta Crossman, Gloriana; Laura Dainty, Sincerely Weeks; Jennie Dunbar, Polly Webster; Grace Almo Earle, Bessie; Eunice Godrich, Polly; Olive Grove, Dora Wayne; Alice Homer, Abigail Peck; Marie Heath, Little Dot; Helen Lester, Marie; Minnie Lande, Priscilla; Annie Virginia Ross, Annie Pixley; Bessie Blythe; Emma Pollock, Maggie Murphy; Mollie Spooner, Chocchoe; Edna May Spooner, Marie; Cecile Spooner, Cecile; Georgia Stoddard, Editha; Emma V. Sheridan, Mrs. Stoddy; Annie Ward Tiffany, Lady Blarney; Odette Taylor, Lady Taylor; Flora Walsh, Bessie; Jennie Winston, Piquella; Jennie Dunbar, Polly Webster. The actresses named below have contributed dolls, without dressing them, to represent their favorite roles: Nellie Atherton, Emma Mabelle Baker, Mrs. Neil Burgess, May Bretonne, Helen Bertram, Madeline Benton, Louise Leslie Carter, Bessie Cleveland, Mrs. John Drew, Sr., Elaine Elison, Katie Emmett, Mrs. G. H. Gilbert, Genevieve Gibson, Katherine Grey, Katherine Kiddle, Lotta Margaret Mather, Olive May, Jessie Ouliviere, Kattie Bliss Parker, Virginia Ross, Marie Stone, Kate Pattison, Mrs. Thomas Whiffin and Lottie Lynn.

Woman's Humane Society.

The Woman's Humane Society gave a progressive euchre party in the parlors of Hotel Richelieu on Wednesday evening from 8 to 10:30 o'clock.

Quite a number attended and those who were successful in winning prizes were as follows: Mrs. J. Siegrist, first prize, which was a handsome cracker jar. Mrs. Shaw won the second prize, a large shell, printed with gladioli.

Mrs. Lancaster won the third prize, a chocolate pot. The gentlemen's first prize, which consisted of a handsome china plate, cup and saucer, prettily decorated, was won by Mr. H. C. Eggleston, the second, a gentleman's leather collar box, by Mr. Wells, and the third, which consisted of a covered box, containing a complete blacking and shoe polishing outfit, was won by Mr. Palmer.

Mrs. H. Knowlton, who was in charge of the entertainment, which proved to be very pleasant. The following ladies are the officers of the Humane Society for 1892: Mrs. T. G. C. Comstock, President; Mrs. C. G. Osgood, First Vice-President; Mrs. P. J. Lingender, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. T. Peacock, Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Isabel Anderson, Treasurer. The special agent in charge of the general office on Chestnut street is Mr. T. J. LaBarge, and he has been absent from his office for a fortnight on account of the serious illness of his son with typhoid fever.

The Non-Sectarian Church.

A bazaar and supper was held at Mahler's, on Olive street, on the evening of the 13th for the benefit of the West End Non-Sectarian Church, of which Rev. Dr. Cave is pastor.

The ladies took charge of the entertainment, which was for the purpose of purchasing a new organ. The bazaar, which included all kinds of fancy Christmas goods, was presided over by the ladies, and the supper provided for the guests was most excellent. Among those in charge were Mrs. J. Pepper, Mrs. Condeli, Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. W. S. Stone, Mrs. W. S. Wood and Mrs. A. M. Wood and Mrs. J. T. Peacock.

The originators of the entertainment were the members of the church, of which Mrs. R. H. Norris is President, and Mrs. Condeli, Vice-President. They were successful in raising a very nice little sum to that already on hand for the new organ.

Physical Culture Club.

The Ladies' Physical Culture Club held a meeting at Mahler's Hall at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning. But there was no quorum present, therefore business had to be deferred.

They will meet the first Wednesday in January at 2 p. m. in the guild-room of Holy Communion Episcopal Church to elect a President and Secretary, to decide upon a permanent place of meeting, a teacher and make some changes in the constitution. The constitution says it takes twenty to make a quorum, also that it takes a two-thirds vote to carry any measure, both of which clauses will be amended.

The Empire, Once More.

All the girls who have the good luck to be seen are going in for the Empire style for evening wear. The first is of white silk sashed with great ribbons, and hand-embroidered with the same shade. The pretty tea-gown made in a similar style is charming in two shades of green—soft silk for the front sleeves and sash, and llama for the rest.

A Clean Sweep.

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CHOOSE YOUR WIFE.

Suggestions to Aspiring Bachelors, Based on the Social Philosophy of Mr. Wm. Walsh.



THE SHOPPING WIFE



THE FINDE SIECLE

FOR VERY YOUNG LADIES.

Street and Dancing Gowns of Pretty Patterns.

A becoming gown for a young girl from fifteen to eighteen, designed as an evening or afternoon dancing gown may be made of pale pink figured sole de Chine. The skirt is full and round, the waist gathered in front and held in place by a sash of pink moire with a deep lace frill around the neck, high



A BALL DRESS

and puffed on the shoulders, falling over the long narrow sleeves. Lace and ribbon are arranged plentifully for the trimming of this costume.

For a girl of 14 a pretty street costume is designed of French chevre in olive-green and golden-brown, with a blouse of dark green silk a shade darker than the green of the goods. Layers of dark green silk turn back



A CLEAN SWEEP

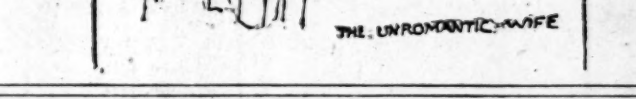
from the pretty, girlish open coat. The high-pointed belt is made either of velvet matching in color the dark green of the silk, or of the dress goods. A dark green sailor cap is the proper finish for this pretty toilet.



THE HOUSEHOLD TYRANT



THE PLUTING WIFE



THE UNROMANTIC WIFE

ALL THE WORLD OVER.

As you and I discovered long ago, monkeys have become fashionable. Anecdotes are preserved about them nowadays just as they are preserved about all eminent persons, and have for many years been preserved about our, the Dogs. So whenever anybody tells me anything about a monkey of course I tell you. Now what do you think of an animal who would do this? The monkey's master had been trying to cultivate the intelligence of a favorite monkey, and was enchanted one day to discover this clever creature settled down in the recesses of a great arm-chair with an open book in his hands. The book was one on entomology, a valuable affair, filled with illustrations. Of course the delighted gentleman supposed his monkey was trying to read. What the monkey was doing, however, was trying to pick every picture of a large butterfly or beetle off the page in order to eat it. Now I think that is almost as clever as trying to read. I know people who would think so if, instead of the monkey, some dear little blue-eyed baby could run a picture of a cow, for instance, in a book and, looking up delighted, say, "Mew, mew, or be able to point out 'bah bah black sheep,' every one in the family would gather about to see, and think no baby tried to get under the table in shame-faced confusion, but I have always believed that unless he had been painfully embarrassed at her first venture she would some day have developed into quite a connoisseur of art.

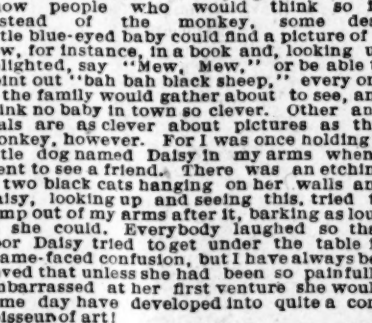
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A Style Which is Becoming to Slender Girls, But Not Thin.

The smart girl who is tall and slender, but not thin, has her bangle gown made with a bell skirt trained behind about as she wore her evening frocks last winter. A Marie Antoinette quilling of shaded rose and white satin ribbon ornaments the edge of the skirt. The ribbon forms a thick ruche and outlines the train bottom as well as the front of the skirt. The bodice laid in folds that run from under the arm to the front of the waist. A broad satin ribbon matching in color and texture that is used on the skirt's bottom listed around the waist with ends falling half way down. A handsome quilling of lace with puffed sleeves finishes a very effective toilette for a young, graceful girl.

Capes the Rage.

A handsome cape in fawn cloth is trimmed with mink around the neck. A fringe of mink balls finishes off the edge of the cape, or mink



A BALL DRESS

bands can be used instead. These capes are very fashionable in England, where they are worn on warm winter days.

Chicago Fashion Men.

Hinting at a well-known Chicago weakness, a New York fashion paper publishes the prediction that Chicago ladies will not wear their husbands long this fall.

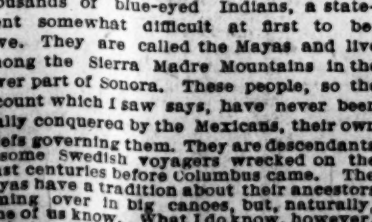
No Hope for Him.

From Buffalo Quips.

They say that in Mexico there are many thousands of blue-eyed Indians, a statement somewhat difficult at first to believe. They are called the Mayas and live among the Sierra Madre Mountains in the lower part of Sonora. These people, so the account which I saw says, have never been really conquered by the Mexicans, their own chiefs governing them. They are descendants of some Swedish voyagers wrecked on the coast centuries before Columbus came. The Mayas have a tradition about their ancestors' names of us know. What we know, however, is that nothing is more delightful for most races. The Indians in certain parts of this country have always been a mystery, and every man who lives among them has a different theory about them.

He: "Will you marry me if I stop smoking cigarettes?"

She: "Yes, Mr. Happy. I can't bear the idea of marrying a man who does nothing."



A BALL DRESS

green and bronze beads. Three velvet buttons, covered with bead embroidery, may be seen on either side.

The second is of royal blue velvet, daintily embroidered in a combination of gold and topaz.

The ruche is plaited round the shoulders in a very full rich frill. A wide

Novelties in Boys' Clothes.

A pretty boy's coat, which by enlarging the collar can be made into a highwayman's coat, comes in art cloth, tweed or serge with smoked pearl buttons. The hat to match the color of the coat is worn with it.

The little velvet cloak for a baby of 18 months made of royal blue velvet with cap to match.

Another pretty suit for a boy of 3 comes with a blue shirt and double-breasted coat of art cloth. Smoked pearl buttons set off the coat in the best advantage.

HERE AND THERE.

The death of Miss Mary A. West, which occurred in Tokio, is a great blow to the leaders of the W. C. T. U., with whom the dead woman had been so long and pleasantly associated. Miss West was for many years the editor of the white ribbon temperance organ, the *Union Signal*, published in Chicago. She worked hard in hand with Frances Willard, Lady Henry Somerset and Mrs. Matilda B. Curie, all of whom are prostrated with grief over her sudden death. She had been in Japan almost a year, as a "round the world delegate" of the W. C. T. U., and was just preparing to come home when stricken down.

Mme. Marchese, the famous teacher of vocal music, who is about to visit America, is one of the few noted persons who have not "been spoiled by the cultivation of man," as Nye puts it. Mme. Marchese has been put to a degree that would have made most women unbearable, but it has all seemed to enhance her charm of manner and her interest in her work. Perhaps, too, the great afflictions she has endured have had much to do with making the distinguished German the sympathetic woman she is. Ten children were born to her, and she has buried nine. In appearance Mme. Marchese is very attractive. She has large, expressive gray-blue eyes, iron-gray hair and a mouth which, rather than any other feature, shows her resolute spirit and strength of character. Last but by no means least, she is one of the best story tellers in Europe.

Miss Sophronista Breckinridge, the daughter of W. C. P. Breckinridge of Kentucky, has just been admitted to the bar, and her distinguished parent is proud of it. The young woman declares that Susan B. Anthony is responsible for her rash act. Miss Anthony spent the winter with the Breckinridge family, and strove vigorously to inculcate her woman's rights principles into the minds of the daughters. In Sophronista's case she succeeded.

William H. of Germany has announced that every article of his sister's trousseau must be bought in his own country. According to custom, the outfit will be paid for by the State, and William has a distinct remembrance of the trouble that followed the marriage of Princess Victoria, who was unwise enough to run up an English bill for the value of 12,000 marks. The State is willing to pay large German bills, but it draws the line at French and English imports.

The only persons who are excited over the Russell-Koban statue controversy seem to be those who have nothing to do with it. The fair Lillian has closed her lips firmly—having exhausted the subject in one interview—and if Miss Koban is annoyed she hasn't condescended the fact to anybody. In the mean time the number of professionals who have been equally honored by Montana's committee of One is increasing daily. The young actress who has not received an offer to pose as the statue for that statue soon be the most unique figure in the story.

Dr. Helen Dismore is interesting for many reasons, but chiefly because she believes in dress reform and "fruitarianism" and lives up to her belief. She has been in Chicago for the past week or two, and the newspapers of that city admiringly call the attention of their readers to the lady's food. She is living, they are told, on fruits and nuts, supplemented, very rarely, by milk and eggs.

One of the most charming women at the Spanish Court, says a Spanish exchange, is Mme. Varoncelles, a lady of Sandoval, who is a belle Espagnole, of the most bewitching type. She is tall, slender, dark-eyed, with raven tresses and ineffable grace of movement. When she was single she had so many suitors that she resembled the princess of a fairy-tale. Four of these young men, all of good family and fortune, in despair at her coldness, bound themselves by a vow Middle Ages than modern Iberia, never to marry any other woman and to seek death for four years, at the end of which time the survivor should return and renew his suit. One of them went to America, where he was shot in a street brawl. Another joined the French army in Tonquin and was killed in the fourth year of his wanderings. The third fell a victim to African sun and fevers. The fourth, having passed successfully through a series of Southern wars, revolutions and wars, returned to Spain, only to be drowned in harbor by an extraordinary accident.

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NATIONAL BABIES.

THREE INFANTS WHO MAY BE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF THEIR COUNTRY.

Written for the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

When Martin Farguhar Tupper, who was accustomed to say automatic things in a ponderous sort of way, declared that a babe in a house is a well-spring of pleasure, it is probable that he intended it in a circumlocutory sense, and as such it should be accepted. Certainly no body pretends to deny that, with all the merits and the demerits summed up, the proposition declaring the truth and the sagacity of Mr. Tupper's observation would be carried by an overwhelming majority. Generally speaking, a babe in a house is a well-spring of pleasure to those connected by ties of consanguinity. It is only when the babe is taken out of the house, either in person or by the parental tongue, that he ceases to be the well-spring as described, and becomes instead a torrent of affliction. Disraeli's remark about the "mother who talks about her own children" voiced a great popular truth. For it is a fact that the crop of babes is the one reliable, steady, never-failing home industry and can be counted as safe for 1888 as it has been sure in all preceding years. Perhaps this is partly the reason why babies are less tolerated as a subject of conversation than corn or wheat, which is a much more precarious and uncertain crop and has, therefore, more of the exciting elements of partial or complete failure.

And yet, in spite of this very profound general truth, it is a curiously anthropologic fact that the national baby, as it may be called, has become a part and parcel of the great popular system. It is rather hard to say when the national baby first took on its greatness. In the early days of the Puritans it is fair to presume that there was not much in a colony distinguished and toasted above its fellows, but travel was slow in those times, electricity and newspapers had not revolutionized the world, and by the time the infant's fame had penetrated to other colonies, he, the infant had grown to boyhood or girlhood. This was more or less discouraging to the hopes of ambitious parents, but it shows that the spirit was there, even if, as Gen. Hancock said of the tariff, the issue was largely a local matter. Under the monarchical form of government the national baby has always been the son of royalty, a loyal devotion to the future king or queen, and this same principle has been brought down as far as possible in republics. For the national baby in America is almost invariably associated with those high in authority and does not depend for its reputation and good fortune on its merits or attainments.

Had Lincoln had many of the characteristics, combined with position, that bring youth into prominence, he wouldn't have been by any means, but he was a remarkably clever boy, and the idol of his father. Had he been the son of a farmer, he wouldn't have been the nation's hero. When the nation was not oppressed by war and anxiety, he might have bounced into far greater prominence. The nation's hero was a long wait. Nellie Grant, "our Nellie," as she was often called, was a daughter, a distinction gained through her father and mother, and she was a woman of personality and unaffected manners. Her marriage and subsequent unhappiness, as published, gave her a greater hold on the American people which years of absence have not shaken. The Hayes and Garfield and Arthur administrations were not distinguished by the worship of the presidential children. During Mr. Cleveland's administration the birth of little Dorothy Whitney gave the poets and other sentimentalists an opportunity to display their powers and for a time this attractive infant was a being of national importance, so much so in fact that for the rest of the year one female child in perhaps six was named Dorothy. As the young lady matured, she can induce her parents to tell her of the time when she was one of the most important features of a national administration.

The national baby craze reached perihelion with the inauguration of President Harrison and the advent of Baby McKee. It is not necessary to resume the various idiocies which the people of the United States perpetrated in their adoration of this just youth. It is creditable to the infant that he accepted the situation with the philosophy of an Indian as his natural right, a principle that steadily became popular throughout the State of Indiana. In some respects human nature changes very little with centuries, and the same instinct that worked against the song of the virtuous of the time was present in the deprecation of the tale of the wonderful attribute of Baby McKee. It was not merely through reason of the devotion of his grandfather, for in all justice let it be said that the love of Benjamin Harrison for his family is one of the most beautiful contradictions of his austere nature. If Baby McKee was permitted to be exploited beyond the confines of the White House nursery, it was because the newspaper correspondents, some in person and all in consciousness, forced him upon the country and made merry with his drolleries and emphasized his importance. For what can be more important than the baby? Napoleon himself bowed to the fact that the baby was the ruler of his mother; his mother ruled him and he ruled France.

So Baby McKee pursued his triumphant way as the national baby and concern until certain whisperings in the air began to give out rumors of a probable revolution. The rumors were substantiated on the 10th of October, 1891, when the intelligence was flashed across the country that the former baby was no longer a baby. From that moment Baby McKee's star began to decline, while that of Baby Ruth peaked over the horizon. It is true that Mr. Cleveland was a plain citizen of the United States of the time, but he had been no "map," no "anti-map," no national convention of the Democratic party to indicate that he would be the nominee and the successor of Mr. Harrison. But the public had a certain lively recognition of a beautiful and gracious woman who presided over the White House for the issue of a marriage that had awakened the nation's interest. Moreover, this is a land of chivalrous people, where the feminine sex occupies a rare and proud position, and what was a Benjamin in opposition to a Ruth? So a little Baby McKee gave way to Baby Ruth until two great allies, generated as it were by these pugnacious warriors, met in a last decisive battle on Nov. 8, and before the day was fairly closed it was known that the King was dead. Long live the Queen!

On this time, therefore, there can be no doubt as to the identity of the national baby. Miss Ruth Cleveland is not obliged to wait for a formal reception on March 4, she is already enthroned and her inaugural address is welcomed by common consent. She is the national baby pending good behavior or until the outbreak of an uncivil war on the part of the public, for stability of affection is not the great popular virtue.

In a more limited sense there is another national baby. The consecration of Baby Ruth to a life of good and pious work, by a good and pious mother, whose own beautiful life is a guarantee of the most careful training, has given to this diminutive specimen a measure of popular interest that will not speedily die out. If little Ruth is the baby queen Baby Ruth is at least a princess of the royal blood. This is a great country, and there is plenty of room not only for Baby Ruth and Baby Ruth, but for a hundred other babies of the privileged sex, who may appeal to the national pride and tenderness. It must not be forgotten, however, that there is a pleasant difference between baby worship in America and in monarchical countries. The national baby in the United States is privileged only to a certain extent. The majesty of person is not inviolable, in olden time, when the prince of England did not know his lesson of his playmates of lower degree was soundly thrashed. We do this thing better in America. When Baby Ruth and Baby Ruth grew up and are idle and careless, their speakings will not be proffered, but endured in person, if not in fact, from the slippers of sensible American mothers with good, sound, practical views.

A few days ago one of the high dignitaries of the Spanish court addressed the young ruler as "little Alfonso," whereupon that minute person replied: "Sir, to you I am the King. Suppose so less a person, than I."

Wanamaker should say to Master McKee: "And how is little Benny to-day?" and little Benny should look up indignantly and reply: "Sir, to my grandfather I am little Benny, to you I am Mr. McKee!" Are we not right in supposing that his Christian mother would yank him into a contemptuous attitude and then and there warm him with a hair-brush until he was not quite certain who he was? And would not this great action stand by and applaud, and exclaim gleefully: "That is the way we make democratic presidents!"

For such good reasons—and many more like them—national baby worship in America is not harmful. A sensible mother stands between her child and the curse of adulation. That wise and beneficial institution, the maternal slippers, impress upon the child's intellect the holiness and mockery of earthly stories and the evanescence of public notoriety. The national baby will be petted and admired and talked and written about, but she will grow up into womanhood and take her chances by the side of the girl who has never had more than a line in the society notes of the newspaper. That's a little way we have in this democratic country, and it speaks volumes for the wisdom and excellence of our institutions.

BRIDEAID'S TOILETS.

Simple But Picturesque Costumes Worn at English Weddings.

A very chic bridemaid's gown was recently worn at a charming English wedding. It consisted of a perfectly plain princess robe of pale rose-colored silk, the bodice being made in the pinfold effect with pink velvet



ribbon in a much deeper shade than the gown. The hat was of white felt with shaded ribbons of pink and white of the same color, with a bunch of forget-me-nots for the hair.

At another wedding the bridemaid's gown was also very picturesque. It consisted of a gathered waist and simply trimmed skirt decorated with a ruche of the material. The velvet yoke of the bodice had three deep

frills of lace running from right to left, with frills of lace around the sleeves which were puffed. The hat was of drawn lace trimmed with lace and flowers. The dress was made of a delicate shade of yellow cashmere, with the velvet of a deep orange. It was an exceedingly effective toilet.

Draping the Bed.
A pretty drapery for the canopy bed can be made of the Anatolia curtains, a cotton fabric, with delicate stripes running vertically through them in blue, yellow, tan and white. All have a 24-inch pointed fringe around them. As they are cheap they can be frequently renewed and used for the bedroom windows as well to match with the drapings of the bed.

Morning Gown for a Bride.
A lovely morning gown for a bride is of heliotrope cashmere with short square jacket of white guipure lace. It is confined



at the waist with white velvet ribbons. For a simpler gown a striped pink and gray French flannel with pink and gray ribbon is pretty.

DOLLS' SHOES.

See our Display.
J. G. BAKER & SONS CO.,
Broadway and Lucas av.

XMAS PRESENTS FOR BABIES.

Welcome Christmas Gifts for the Youngest Members of the Family.

Buying presents for babies is a difficult task, because one has to please at least two people. A baby's gift should be such that baby will take a little interest in it himself, and it should also please his mother.

In buying a present for a baby it is a very good plan to select something which can be kept until he grows up, and which in the meanwhile will be useful and ornamental. It must be something which will not wear out, which will not get out of fashion and which is useful for everybody, both old and young. Difficult, isn't it, to make such a selection?

A silver bread and milk bowl, for example, with a monogram upon one of its sides and the date upon the other, is a very nice gift. The bowl may be lined with gold, if you prefer, and it may be artistically decorated. A present like this will be put to good use by baby's mother, and, by and by, when baby has grown into manhood, it will figure in the supply of family plate which every man likes to have, and it will also be brought out for the occasional bowl of bread and milk which every man likes. If baby be a girl, she will use the bowl for roses some day, and will count it one of the proud treasures of her dowry.

Another present for baby, of the substantial kind, is the silver spoon. Let it be a table spoon, suitable for dishing out baby's food, and see that it is marked with both baby's name and yours. If baby has a flower name, such as Rose or Lily or Violet or Myrtle or Fanny, it is a pretty sentiment to have the bowl inscribed with the name of the flower after which she is named. And if you wish to lavish in your gift you may have a tiny diamond drop placed upon one of the petals of the flower.

A set of gold or silver buttons for baby's shoes will be worn for many years, and will be transferred from one pair of shoes to another, until baby's grown up, and then the little shoe-buttons may be used upon a pair of house shoes or may be put upon another baby's shoes.

A set of rather large gold studs are among the things which will be of service forever, and the day after the wedding they will be present they will do nicely as buttons upon baby's little dress. And, by and by, ever so many years from now, when baby will do for shirt studs in a man's shirt or will fasten a woman's dress, she will remember where she often places a tiny ribbon bow just because she has not a solid gold stud.

Among the stock presents which baby is sure to receive from you or somebody else there is the knife, the fork, the spoon and the napkin-ring, besides baby pins and gold straps for holding little aprons at the shoulders. In addition to these there are some new-fashioned presents which may be included in the list of things every baby must have. One of these is a silver plate. Another is a silver dish for holding baby's oatmeal. Still another is a silver rim for slipping over a dish of rice pudding just as one of them from the oven. Baby's table is nowadays a vision in silver and cut glass.

Bright and handsome colored pictures of children are really appreciated by a child to a greater extent than any other gift he would suppose. At six months baby begins to "take notice," and so bright pictures may really be included in the list of things every baby must have. A Dresden figure, gay in its many pretty colors, is another thing which baby soon learns to love and treasure.

And then there is the large and always welcome array of playthings. And even playthings may be of such nature that they will be preserved. A really pretty little set of dishes will be used as a plaything for baby's cabinet by and by. A toy trunk, large enough, however, to hold one or two grown-up garments, can be played with by baby for many years, and can then be used as a trunk for taking away on a little trip over Sunday. Interesting books, those of four inches square, handsome books with tinted pictures, a play-house, so complete as to be interesting to grown-up people, are all things which delight the heart of both baby and baby's mother.

Quaint little rocking chairs, "Sleepy Hollows," only large enough for baby's little feet, low-glided tables on which baby's first bowl of bread and milk, and tiny "dresses" for the use of baby's clothes exclusively are other very nice things which baby must have. If baby has not already a baby carriage, a crib and the other essential requisites for babyhood, they may of course with propriety select these things. But usually the carriage and the crib are purchased along with the trousseau, so that baby has them before he has really any use for them.

Wrap your baby gift up with an abundance of loving wishes and a host of bright predictions for the future, and you may be sure that it will be well received by baby and his family.

A Sweet Memory Pillow.

Almost every woman—be she maid, wife or widow—has flowers sent and given to her during the winter. A pretty and easy way to preserve both the blossoms and the remembrances connected with them is to make them into a pillow or chair-rest. After the flowers are faded, strip off the petals, sprinkle them loosely upon a newspaper or towel and dry them in front of the fire, over the steam register or in the sunny window of a warm room. When you have thus dried enough flower petals to begin a pillow make a square of red or green velvet, or silk on one side, white, pink, blue or apple green, and fine, strong, silk bolting cloth on the other. The edges of the velvet will dry quickly and will make a pretty network of spider web effect over the petals. When you wish add to the collection a package of sweet lavender or even some tiny sachet bags of rose ribbon to blend with the flower leaves. The pillow is as sweet to the tired head as a heap of dead leaves under a favorite tree in the autumn and will last through a whole winter of longing. Try it.

It is made of very fine woolen jersey in light gray, trimmed with embroidery and lace in various designs.

DECEMBER

Lo, she is coming, the shining ice-maiden!
The North winds announce her—the trumpet's blow!
Comes as a queen, with her sparkling crown laden,
Trailing behind her her ermine of snow.
Cold is her face, where the Frost-King has kissed her;
Chill are her robes where the snow crystals rest;
By the wandering winds that assist her,
Warmer than flame is the heart in her breast.

All the world waits till the sign of her coming;
Flashes like fire, through the spirit of men;
All the world throbs with the throb of her loving,
Feeling the touch of the Christ-child again.
Pure as the snow drifts and white as the glory,
Standing alone mid the months of the year,
Beating her message—her Bethlehem story,
How the earth welcomes her, loves, and holds dear!

Reign, royal maiden, whose subjects adore you,
Your throne is established, your banners unfurled;
The star on your forehead, whose rays gleam before you,
Shines forth forever, the light of the world!
—Bessie Chandler—

Novelties in Furs.

Plain seal capes, made somewhat full like a circular, are as well worn as the jackets, and on slender persons they are very stylish. In several instances the high collars which have been worn for some time are being replaced by the turn-down



shape, which does not, however, leave the neck exposed. Sable and mink are the favorite trimmings for capes and mantles. Quite the newest notion of the season is trim-



THE REFORMER'S IDEA.

It Was Carried Out in the Latest Gowns for Children.

In the children's gowns the idea of the reformer is carried out—and the weight hangs entirely from the shoulders. Many of the frocks are made in one.

A stylish little dress for afternoon wear is made of dark blue wool bengaline, trimmed with dark red velvet. The sleeves are the old-time leg-o'-mutton affairs, with the addition of a velvet cap over the shoulder. Another frock of more dressy design is made of ecrú cloth, decorated with Oriental embroidery. The gown is cut all in one, it is so trimmed that the waist has a pointed corset effect. Around the bottom of the short skirt is a ruching of ecrú and green silk, and a deep band of the embroidery where shades of green, ecrú and red are blended.

Girls' Pinfold Dress.

For girls of 10 or 12 years the pinfold dress here illustrated is neat and effec-



FRENCH ACTRESSES LEAD THE FASHION

And Two of Them Have Recently Introduced Some Very Effective Ones.

Paris sets the fashion for the world. The theater sets the fashion for Paris. The French actresses realize their power. They are the glass of fashion for all civilized womankind, and they therefore put soul as well as body into their dresses.

There is a theater in Paris called the Gymnase. It is not, however, as its name might indicate, given up to trapeze performances, nor even exclusively to high kicking. It is a very nice place, where gowns of both a high and low order are shown. In fact, a scene on the stage of the Gymnase is as good as a fashion plate with the royal seal of the goddess of fashion upon it.

Now, very recently there was a new play put upon the stage of this theater. That meant new gowns for the actresses. A deadly rivalry ensued as to who should appear in the most stunning and ravishing costumes. Mlle. Cerny triumphed, for two of her dresses were considered both stunning and ravishing, while Mlle. Dariaud succeeded in being merely stunning and Mlle. Depoit in being merely ravishing.

As will be observed in the pictures given here of these ladies Mlle. Cerny has a coquettish habit of lifting her skirt at one side.



This, it should be stated for the benefit of those who do not care to be coquettish, is not necessary. It is simply one of Mlle. Cerny's ways and does not go with the gowns.

The first gown was worn in the first act. Mlle. Cerny is supposed to be ready for dinner when she has it on. It is of a pale blue, with a high collar of rose-colored satin and a long, flowing skirt. The skirt is made of a large number of long, flowing strips of pink and apple-green, interspersed with small silver flowers. A border of black leather trimming finishes the bottom of the skirt.

Everything was as neatly ordered as the most critical visitor could wish. There were two tiny kid slippers peeping out from under the bed, but they seemed part of the artistic finish of everything.

In the second act Mlle. Cerny's apparel was distilled richness. She wore a gown of emerald-green velvet seemingly forming a blouse, and a half inches in diameter. Bind all four round with soft, pretty ribbon. Put the two smaller circles between the two larger ones and sew together at one side. Paint a pair of glasses in outline, and a motto, such as, "If you would see all things right, you must keep your things near." Or, "If you would see far things near, you must keep your glasses clear." In case you find the space limited



very much gathered at the throat and sleeves. Two bands of astrakhan finish the green velvet skirt. The waist is encircled by a Scotch belt studded with jet and with jet pendants in front. The collar is of the same set. On Mlle. Cerny's saucy shoulders rested a double cape of fine astrakhan. And her still saucier head she wore a charming toque of astrakhan trimmed with rosettes of green velvet mixed with a few bunches of Russian violets.

As for Mlle. Dariaud every one will agree that her gown is superb. In this case also it must be understood that the young lady's attitude, while highly effective, is not necessary with New York reproductions of the costume. Mlle. Dariaud was content with a cloth costume, ribbed cloth of a beige color, the skirt falls perfectly straight without any trimming. The costume shows at the side with one big revers, below which are two

merveilleux or surah, the latter materials forming paniers, sashes, collar, vest and cuffs.

A pretty evening suit for a girl of 6 or 7 may be appropriately worn as a page's coat in a bridal cottage, or for an afternoon or early evening children's ball. The coat is made of white velvet lined with satin. The vest effect is given to the front of the coat, and is made either of satin merveilleux, or gro-grain silk with a white silk cord. Black silk hose, patent leather shoes and white velvet gamsches are worn with this suit.

Down O' the Thistle.
From the Overland Monthly.
On airy wings, these sunny August days,
Flow like the thistle-down, and scatter
Through quivering seas of shimmering golden haze
The fair and frothy clouds of summer days.
And touch at many points, but wanderers not,
The soft and sunny clouds of summer days.
Though all too frail for voyage long, as last
Each hush and sigh, and sigh and sigh,
While leaping in drifts of summer fallen snow,
Whole armies lie wreathed the hedge below.

But when the trade winds sweep with desolate cry,
And the thistle-down, and scatter
Above the trees all winds and scurries wide
And seek in sudden turns and scurries wide
Against the breeze and scatter wide
Far from their moorings torn, the captive rise
In snowy swarms like startled waterfalls;
Far from their moorings torn, the captive rise
Against the breeze and scatter wide

The harvest of the winds that reaped in haste—
For wandering thistle-down
Is swiftly sown in fields remote and waste
That fringe the dusty roads, whose borders are
By rapid winds of scurried clouds that show
But empty silvery crowns, from fields or foe
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The early rains shall lead, as onward speeds
The flying year, till winter April slips
In scurried haze the purple blossoms rise.
—Kath. M. Baxton.

mother of pearl buttons. A wide girde of chartreuse green velvet is about the waist. The straight collar has a band of green velvet at the edge. The hat is of felt, to match the gown, and is trimmed with green velvet and kingfisher's wings.

The ravishing part of Mlle. Depoit's costume was what the French call a "delicious" hood or burlesque for the theater. Indeed, Mlle. Depoit rests in the satisfaction of having unmistakably set that particular fashion

for the whole winter. The hood, or wrap, is of white velveteen. Two long front pieces form a stole which is edged with sable. The fur continues around the neck and thus holds



up the big Henry II. collar. Under this coquettish garment Mlle. Depoit wore a Fanny silk toilet of silver gray, with girle and naments of silver. She also wore a diminutive bonnet formed of four light silks in white lace studded with silver and rhinestones. The small remaining portion of the bonnet was of violets.

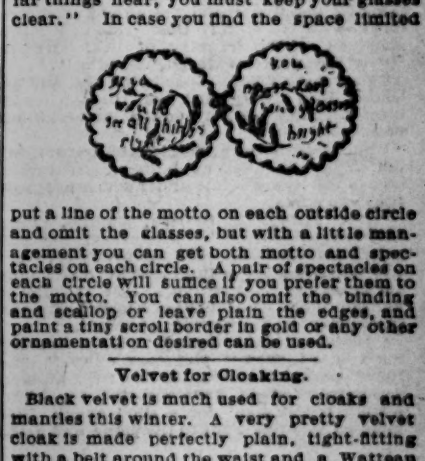
A Traveling Gown.

A pretty traveling gown over which the long English ulster can be worn is made of sea-weed brown Bedford cord, braided with pale blue and gold mixed cord. The revers and belt, together with the loose-fronted jacket, are of pale blue cord silk with the blouse of brown silk to match the chief color



in the dress fabric. With this costume is worn the sailor hat covered with glazed patent-leather, so fashionable in New York, with a large bow and feathered tip, or plain with the band and buckle as it comes for young misses.

Spectacle Wiper.
This should be made of chambray. Two circles, two inches in diameter, two circles one and a half inches in diameter. Bind all four round with soft, pretty ribbon. Put the two smaller circles between the two larger ones and sew together at one side. Paint a pair of glasses in outline, and a motto, such as, "If you would see all things right, you must keep your things near." Or, "If you would see far things near, you must keep your glasses clear." In case you find the space limited



put a line of the motto on each outside circle and omit the glasses, but with a little management you can get both motifs and spectacles on each circle. A pair of spectacles on each circle will suffice if you prefer them to the motto. You can also omit the motto and scallop or leave plain the edges, and paint a tiny scroll border in gold or any other ornamentation desired can be used.

Velvet for Cloaking.

Black velvet is much used for cloaks and mantles this winter. A very pretty velvet cloak is made perfectly plain, tight-fitting with a belt around the waist and a Watteau

pleat at the back. A dainty border of ermine feathers encircles the throat and may be carried down the front.

Another garment of this description is made in the shape of a circular or cape

trimmed with bands of ermine feathers, otter and coque feathers. This is suitable for a youthful wearer. A broad, full collarette around the neck for slender figures is very becoming.



GOING TO AN "OPRY"

BILL RYE RELATES AN INCIDENT IN HIS TRAVELS.

Written for SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH. Copyright.

Last evening quite a party came by train from a small cheese town twenty-five miles away to our unparalleled entertainment. They were disappointed in it. They said they thought it was an "opry." We carry quite a line of printing, and it is showy and beautiful, I must say. We have everything from little doggies in pink and blue up to the three and ten-sheet posters. The papers are kind and to us, giving our agent desk room always while he writes the criticism of our performance, and so suburban and outlying towns at times get the impression from our air, and not from anything we state at all, that we carry thirty people and a stud of fine horses and a top-sheet poster. The papers are kind and to us, giving our agent desk room always while he writes the criticism of our performance, and so suburban and outlying towns at times get the impression from our air, and not from anything we state at all, that we carry thirty people and a stud of fine horses and a top-sheet poster.



The Fancy Billboards.

The young people put up the hotel for tea and sat in the parlor and conversed till the meal was ready.

"Play something, Madeline," said Grace, who was a large, powerful girl, with tight shoes and a slight stoop in the back, but one could see by her muscular frame that she stooped to conquer, for I thought when I saw her that she was the village blacksmith, who "neat the spreading chestnut stands, with strong and brawny arms, God wot, and whistles on his hands."

"Play something, Madeline," again came the pleading, yet deep, rich, manly voice of Grace.

"Oh, shut up!" exclaimed Madeline. "I'd rather talk or play some game till supper's ready. Give us a rest!" she added petulantly, for one could see that she was the spoiled darling of the cheese town and wore mauve suspenders over a drabdy tawny gamp.

"Oh, play something for me, Madeline!" said a tall, lithe young man with a knob on his throat, which rose and fell like the price of wheat when he swallowed.

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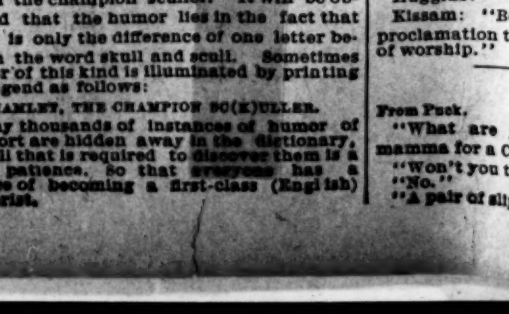
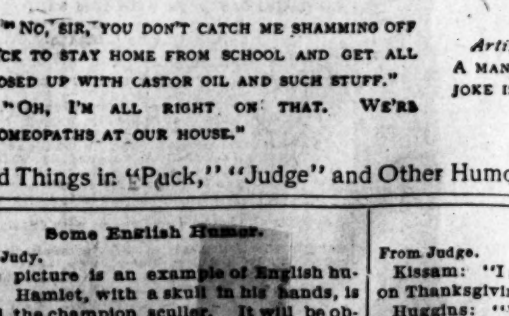
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"WHO BUT MUST LAUGH?"

FUN AT A GLANCE.

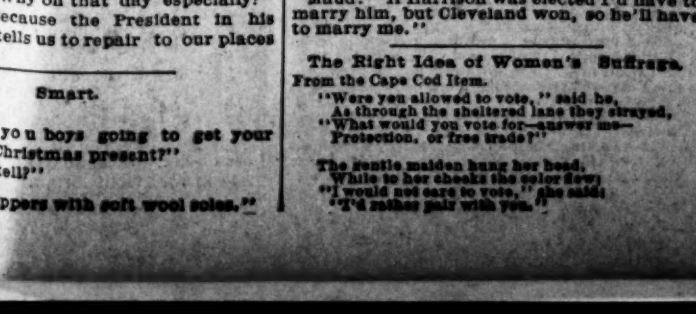
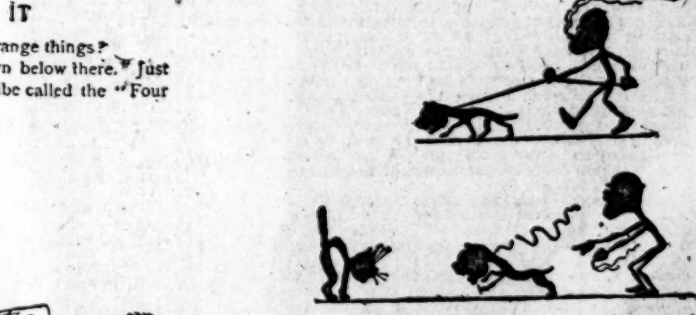
TALE OF A BUTT.



THE COWCATCHER PRINCIPLE.



WHEELER—Little idea of my own. No more running over dogs and breaking one's neck, see?



JONES, THE PHILANTHROPIST.

And His Pleasant Schemes for the Improvement of the World.

Written for the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

Jones stopped in the office the other day and began talking. He often does. Once it was some scheme for providing the fishes with mackintoshes. How would it like it if I was in the cold and wet? And then sometimes it rains—think of it when it rains; and so on. At first I used to say to Jones: "I have not made the world, and he that made it will guide." But Jones never would listen. He would always wind up with "I am a friend in human shape." I said, No, I thought not; I tried to be just and exact in my dealings. Then there was some plan for the giving of theater tickets to young men who, having secured a beautiful young lady to a place of entertainment, find at the door that they have spent all their money the day before yesterday. Think of the feelings of the beautiful young lady, tenderly nurtured, it may be, by loving parents so that the faintest supple might not too rudely touch that cheek, and so on, and so on. That time Jones had me sobbing and crying in my pocket handkerchief, and I said before I thought, well, I cannot do very much, but send me some young man who is the least of doing that, and if I find him worthy I will see what I can do about it. But afterwards, I thought, suppose I should make the young lady find out afterwards that he had spent all his money the day before yesterday? They sometimes do. And there might be a family—four, seven, and they might keep on expecting their father to do it, and not take much figuring to make me feel worried.

Then there was a new style of hog-pen, slide-board, napkin-rings, Turkish bath arrangements, I forgot now just what it was, but I know Jones said all the details, and I will say so much for Jones, that I think he is thorough. I am satisfied in my own mind that if Jones started in to clean the leg of a house he would have had that leg clean if it took him from early in the morning until 12 o'clock at night, and he wore out every scrubbing-brush in the country. But why does he always wind up with "I am a friend in human shape?" The last time I said, Yes, Jones, I believe so, I have a certificate to that effect, but all the same always leaves me feeling a little sore and aggrieved, something like—

Perhaps it was right to dissemble your love, but why did you kick me down stairs?

Jones couldn't put a bumble-bee together if he had taken a day's vacation. He would rather one to look at, but it is always, Oh, what a world! Someone ought to hint to Jones gradually that perhaps he is a little much foolishness in things as he thinks; that even if he shaved the earth as smooth as a billiard-ball he might not be so comfortable as he is now; he might even have harder work to do. I think I see Jones holding on by the skin of his teeth, his hands frantically clutching at this billiard-ball of an earth. "I have these, I have these not," his coat-tails flying in the breeze—but wait; perhaps there would be no breeze. Perhaps there would be no coat-tails. Perhaps, ah, who is met even no Jones. Perhaps, ah, who is met even no Jones.

That Brutal Sport.

From Harper's Weekly.

SCENE—A smoking-room after the game and disaster. A gathering of Hale, Yarveton and Princeton men.

Charley: "After all, though the victory was fortunately ours, you several times almost ousted it from our grasp."

Ralph: "It's very kind in you to say so. But really I'm glad you won so handsily. The excellence of your team-play showed a preparation so careful, and a faithfulness so unusual, that I rejoice that it did not fall of its reward."

Charley: "Now, Ralph, that is flattery. I'm sure, if your captain had not dropped his eye-glasses in the beginning of the second half, I warrant you it would have gone hard with me. I know that for one my heart was in my mouth."

Philip: "Skill will tell in athletics as in the learned professions. Our young men thought they had, indeed, an excellent team. Our instructor in gymnastics, Prof. John R. Blodgett, assured us that our chances of success were indeed excellent. But I knew so well the prowess of our representatives that I luckily made but a small wager against them."

Ralph: "There was a certain dash—an elan, a verve, if without pedantry I may so express myself—about the Yarveton men that I have seldom met with. It reminds me of the good old days when that very skillful player, Alexander Peasuch McWintour, was still one of the more prominent of our team."

Philip: "And yet the play of our contemporaries seems on no comparative favor even with that of those days."

Charley: "You pleasantly surprise me, Philip, by that admission."

Philip: "Possibly. Yet I have never seen a neater piece of strategy than that of the Hale team this very afternoon."

Ralph: "To what special incident of the game do you refer?"

Philip: "If I am not wrong, Princeton were in possession of the ball. It was put in play, and very cleverly seized by the half-back who attempted to take advantage of a not altogether voluntary hiatus in the opposing line, but was intercepted by the tackle. A side pass, if I do not mistake, conveyed the ball to a more efficient hand, and the line being broken by a most admirable dash, the space was cleared for a run."

Ralph: "Pardon me, but I think you have mistaken the circumstance."

Charley: "How so? His account seemed accurate to me."

Philip: "I did not intentionally misrepresent the play."

Ralph: "When you spoke of a 'more efficient hand,' you no doubt, referred to the young man known as the 'Sluggo.'"

Philip: "Of course I meant the Sluggo."

Ralph: "Well, it was not the Sluggo who took the ball."

Philip: "It wasn't?"

Ralph: "That is what I said."

Philip: "Then who was it?"

Ralph: "Stumpy Mason—that's who it was."

Philip: "And where was it?"

Ralph: "Behind the door, I guess."

Philip: "Well, I guess not."

Ralph: "Well, I guess yes."

Charley: "Gentlemen, gentlemen."

Philip: "What does this say know about it, anyhow?"

Ralph: "More than any wooden-head from New Jersey."

Philip: "You know about enough to blow up a football if another jay can tie the strings for you."

Ralph: "Oh, take home your team of stuffed brutes and put them on the ice!"

Philip: "This is your year, jay. You've been corked up for the last half-century."

Ralph: "Oh, somebody take him away! He's lost his mind."

Philip: "A bit of ice must have fallen into your Apolloinaris, and it's gone to your head."

Ralph: "I was seeing the rams those stiff of yours put up. Why didn't you put in all your substitutes? They couldn't have done worse."

Philip: "Aw, come off!"

Charley: "Hear the soreheads growl!"

Ralph: "You've got the best of it, just because of that fluke this afternoon."

Charley: "Hats!"

Philip: "Are you addressing me, sir?"

[At this point the reporter came away.]

Almost Came to Blows.

From Judge.

They were seated on opposite sides of the restaurant table and their feet collided beneath it. Of course they both looked up.

"I beg your pardon, sir," said one, "I didn't know they were so long."

"What?" asked the other sharply.

"Legs," retorted the first.

There was a pause during which there seemed to be every prospect of serious trouble. Then the second asked severely:

"The proprietor of the place picked up a mallet and asked me to be so good as to prepare to maintain order, but pleasantly the answer came."

"Mine, Mr. long legs are always getting me into trouble."

"Not at all, not at all," protested the other, suddenly becoming affable. "I've decidedly awkward in handling my feet."

"But I assure you, sir, it was all my fault."

"Certainly not. I shot my shanks out as if I were sitting at the end of a 10-foot table."

The proprietor put his mallet away and murmured:

"It's funny how men will act. There was a fight on here if either had said the other's legs were long or in the way."

—HAROLD FLEMING.

MILITARY IMPROVEMENTS.

Movable Sentry-House Adopted in East Africa. From the Flagstaff Blaster.



Inexplicable. From Buffalo Quips.



Mrs. Winebiddle: "How do you account for Hunker's chronic bachelorhood?" Daughter: "Give it up. He can't have inherited it from his parents, for they were both married."

The Effect of Contagion. From the Flagstaff Blaster.



From Life. Strictly Proper.



The Elder One (recently engaged): "Do you think it proper for a girl to kiss the man she is engaged to?" The Other: "Yes; if it is with his consent."



He Knew His Arithmetic.



Young Featherly: "Are these your child dren?" Mrs. Brand: "Oh, yes! the boy is 5 years old and this girl 7."

Young Featherly: "Well, how time flies! It doesn't seem possible that you have been married twelve years."



A Mere Prejudice.



Tourist: "I see you employ a good many women about here, farmer." Farmer: "Have to do, harvest time, sir; but for myself I much prefer manual labor."



Mamma: "Well, did you tell God how naughty you have been?" Lily: "No, I was ashamed. I thought I had never got out of the family." —Franklin Jones.